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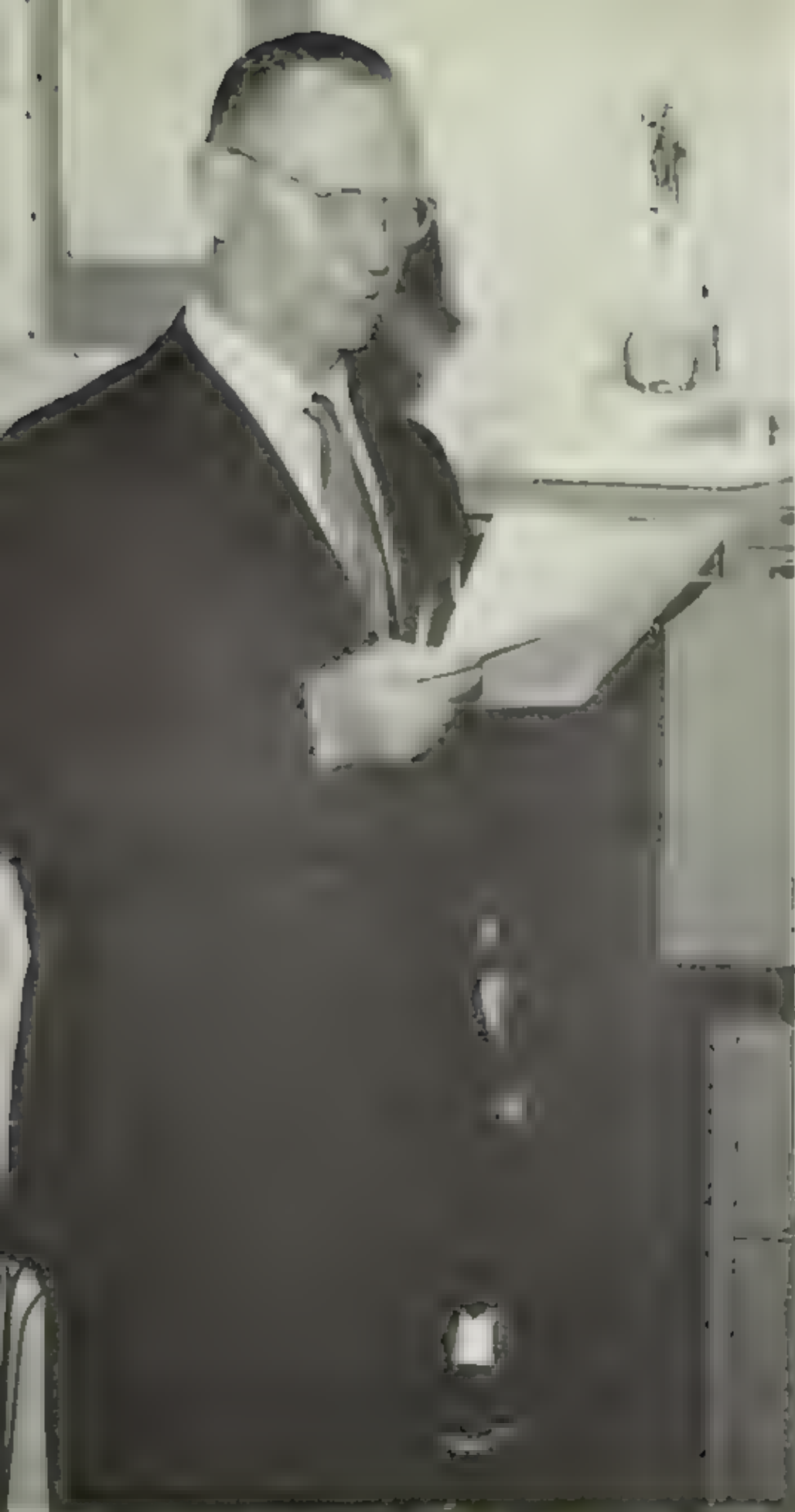


dedication

For ever seeking to expand the frontiers of the field of education . . .
For enriching our school with knowledge and understanding . . .
For promoting the development of the minds of tomorrow's leaders . . .
For looking forward to each day with zestful enthusiasm and anticipation
For possessing infinite patience and perseverance in the most trying situations .
For setting in our community an inspiring example of spiritual faith . .
For offering wise council and advice to the troubled and undecided .
And for being, primarily and most important, a friend to all .
We, the annual staff, gratefully dedicate this 1956 Wasconian
to you, Mr. Frederick George.

administration...





LESTER R. SMITH Superintendent

ONCE AGAIN we have good reason to be proud of the good records made by our students during the past year. These records in scholarship, leadership, sportsmanship, forensics, and athletics are indicative of the qualities in our youth of balance and versatility in worth-while activities that are so highly desirable. We are greatly indebted to our Wasconian Staff and Advisor for this excellent recording that they have given us of the history of our school year.



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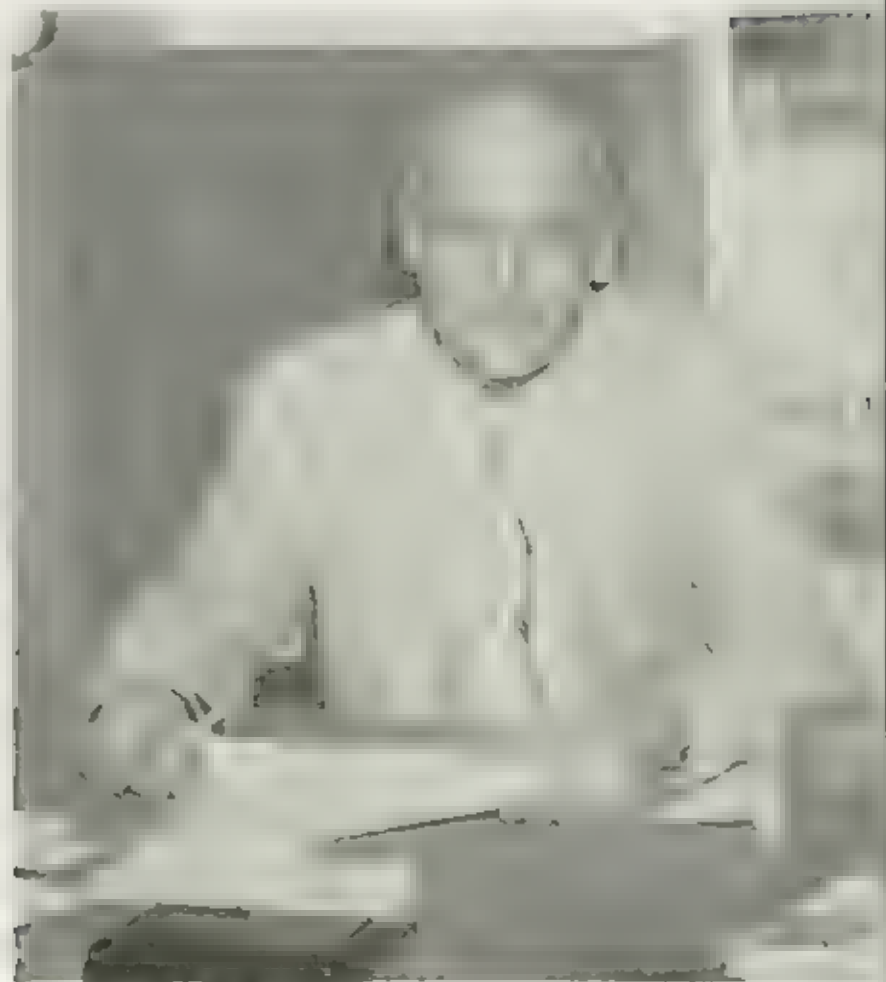
principal's message

THE WASCONIAN STAFF and Mr. Maxwell are to be congratulated for this fine record of our school year. This record of outstanding accomplishments, made in scholarship and extra curricular activities, is an excellent tribute to the hard work of the students of Wasco Union High School. We are justly proud of the contribution that this school has made in education and look forward with eager anticipation to the part that the new buildings will play in developing a superior educational program for our students.





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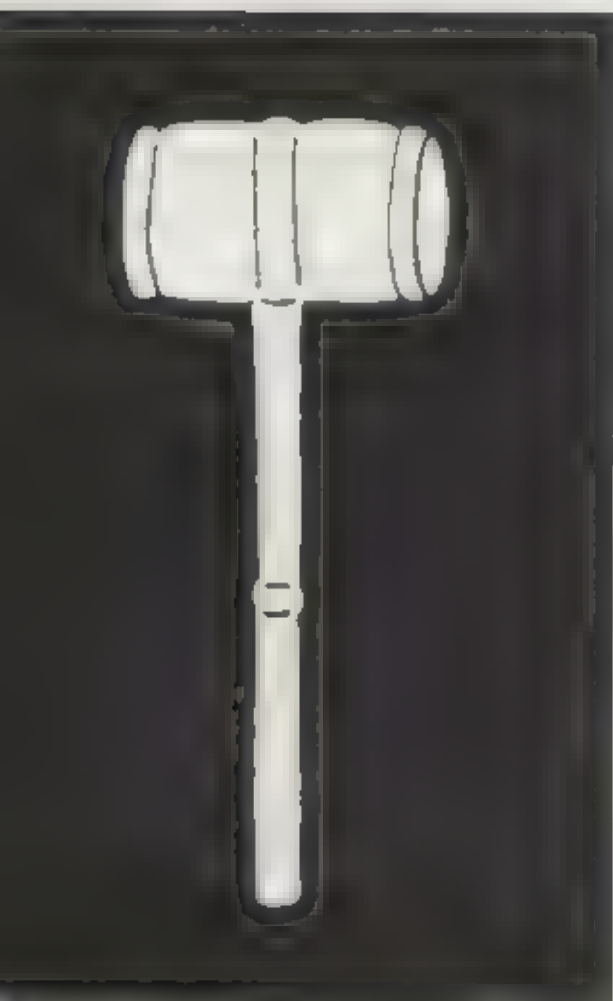
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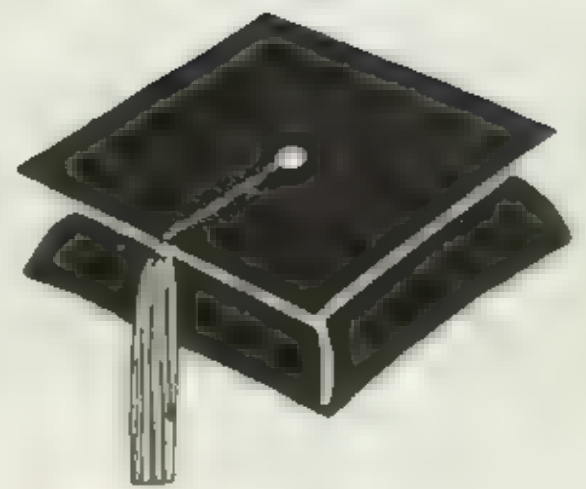


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MR. [unclear]

the senior story

CONTRARY TO THE old adage, members of the class of 1956 were neither shy nor scared when they entered, as yearlings, the great institution of Wasco Union High School. Boldness and self-confidence were two characteristics of which there was an abundance within this unusual group of first year students. Since this memorable Freshman year, the class of '56 has progressed greatly as all classes do within the span of four years. Let us review some of the major accomplishments of this year's graduating class.

The Fresh, initiating the first of a long series of official actions, began to function as a unit when they chose their first presiding officer, Elaine Whitworth. Attending six classes a day, the lowest of classmen soon became adjusted to the world of academic pursuits and by the time the year had ended, nearly 40 different Freshman names had appeared on the honor rolls. When the second semester of the school year was ushered in, Gene Hagan was welcomed as the new class president, and Elaine Whitworth became the first member of the class to hold a student body office, that of yell leader.

As Sophomores, the class of 1956, now one year nearer graduation, looked forward to a busy schedule. They sold at games, participated in many school affairs, ordered class rings, infiltrated the various campus clubs, served at the Junior-Senior Banquet, placed second in the interclass track meet, and by May anxiously awaited vacation days. Ronnie Mathis, who was elected first semester prexy, was succeeded by Jim Napier, who also served as yell leader for the basketball season.

The arrival of new Junior rings marked the '56ers as official upperclassmen. Under the leadership of James Wasson and Paul Bergen, class presidents, the Junior carried on business as usual, by this time completely accustomed to school procedures. During this year Ronnie Mathis was chosen Student Body vice-president. Highlight of the year came in the form of the class play, "Genny Kissed Me," which was double cast for two performances for the first time in the history of Wasco High. The Juniors played host to the mighty Senior class in a brief but pleasant trip to Hawaii at the annual Junior-Senior Banquet. With the closing of the year came special awards to deserving Juniors. Evelyn Edger and Ronnie Mathis, because of their outstanding scholarship records, received Junior Plaques. Yvonne Villegas, James Wasson, and Ronnie Mathis were chosen as Wasco's representatives to Girls' and Boys' States.

Seniors at last! During this year pictures were taken, measurements for robes were made, cards and announcements were picked, college applications were sent in short order, and the traditional procedures were observed. Presidents Ronnie Mathis and Charles Moore guided their class in the activities of the year. Eleven Seniors received special Bank of America awards for academic achievement and six members of the class. Evelyn Edger, Anne Gimer, Ann Hively, Ronnie Mathis, Elaine Whitworth, and Yvonne Villegas earned life memberships in the California Scholarship Federation. The "Show Off" was presented as the annual Senior play. During the year several Seniors held student body offices: Mac Ellis, first semester president; Jim Napier, first semester vice-president; Ann Hively, first semester secretary and second semester song leader; Don Wise, first semester treasurer; Jim Byratt, second semester president; Carl Duerkson, second semester vice-president; Patsy Stephens, second semester secretary; and Ronnie Mathis, second semester treasurer. An assembly and a breakfast were staged by the Seniors, and a gift was left by them to the school. Then on May 25, 1956, commencement exercises were held with all of the dignity and sentimentality befitting the occasion.

seniors

PATSY AMOS SATTERFIELD



MAURICE BANKS



PAUL BERGEN



GORDON BERGTHOLD



RAYMOND ARTHUR BORON



PATRICIA BOWLES McNEIL



BETTY BOYD



JIM BOYETT

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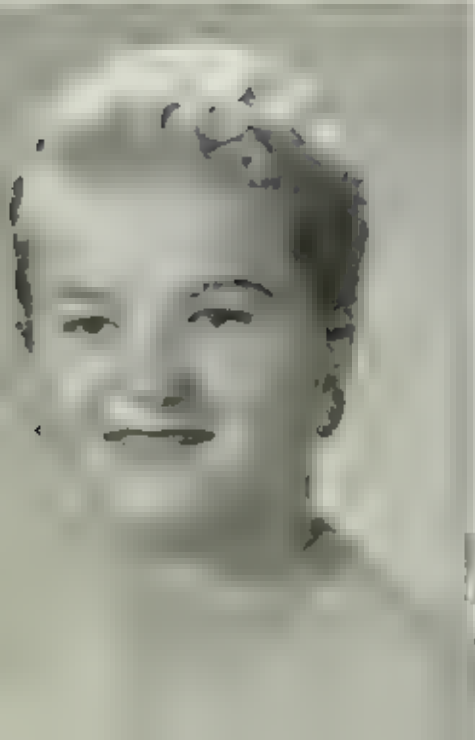
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JOAN CARTER WHITWORTH



JOY BELL THURMAN CARTER



RACHEL J. CHERNABAEFF



BOBBY CHERRY



ROBBIE CHERRY



KERIN COLE



WILLIE COLE, JR



LAURA BETH CONNOR



JERRY NELL CONRAD



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EMMA LOUISE HARRISON



PHILLIP HAWS



HERMAN HENDERSON



TED HIGGINS



ANN HIVELY



GENE HOGAN



LYNDA HOPSON



GERALD HOWARD



seniors

TARY HEST

GARY HITCH

JERRY KENDIG W. ANF

ST. BNC

ALY. PA. F. P. S. S. S.

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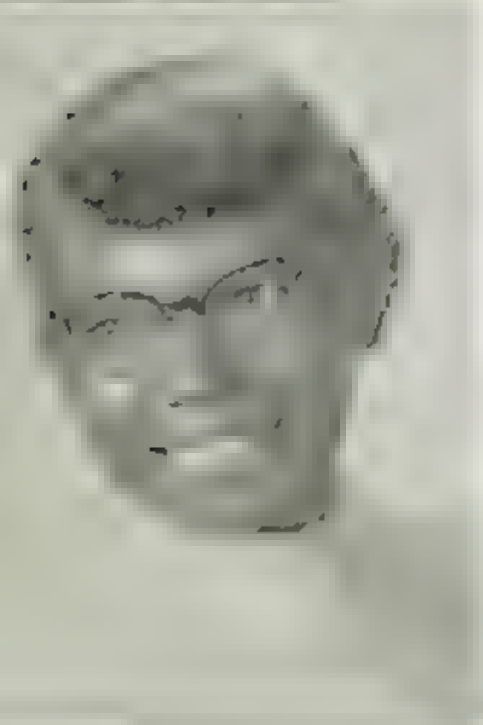
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WILLIAM A. JONES



ROBERT L. JONES



FRANKLIN A. JONES



THERESE MILLER



LARRY MIXON

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JAY MOZINGO

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WANDA NALE



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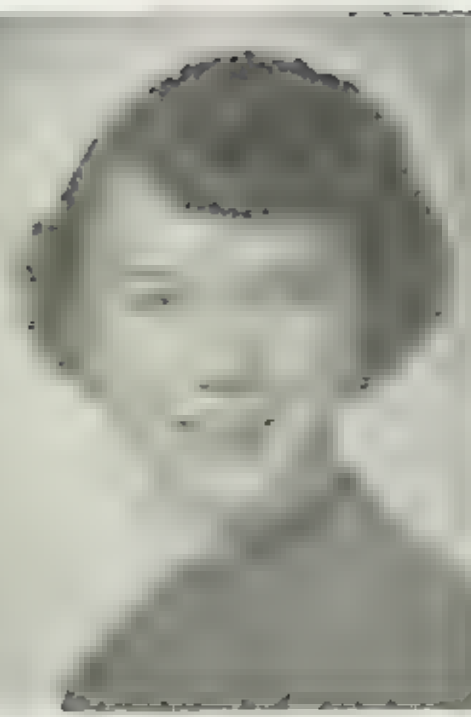
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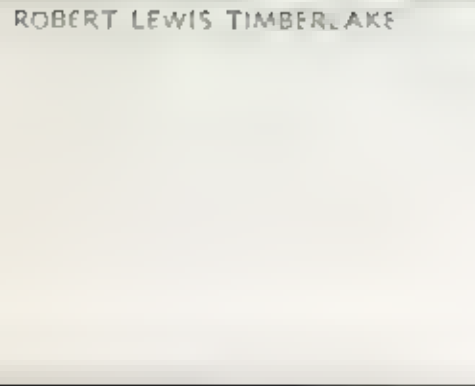
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junior



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Treasurer

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DOUG BOLDER
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DORIS CRAWFORD
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Mr. Mendenhall

Miss Weber

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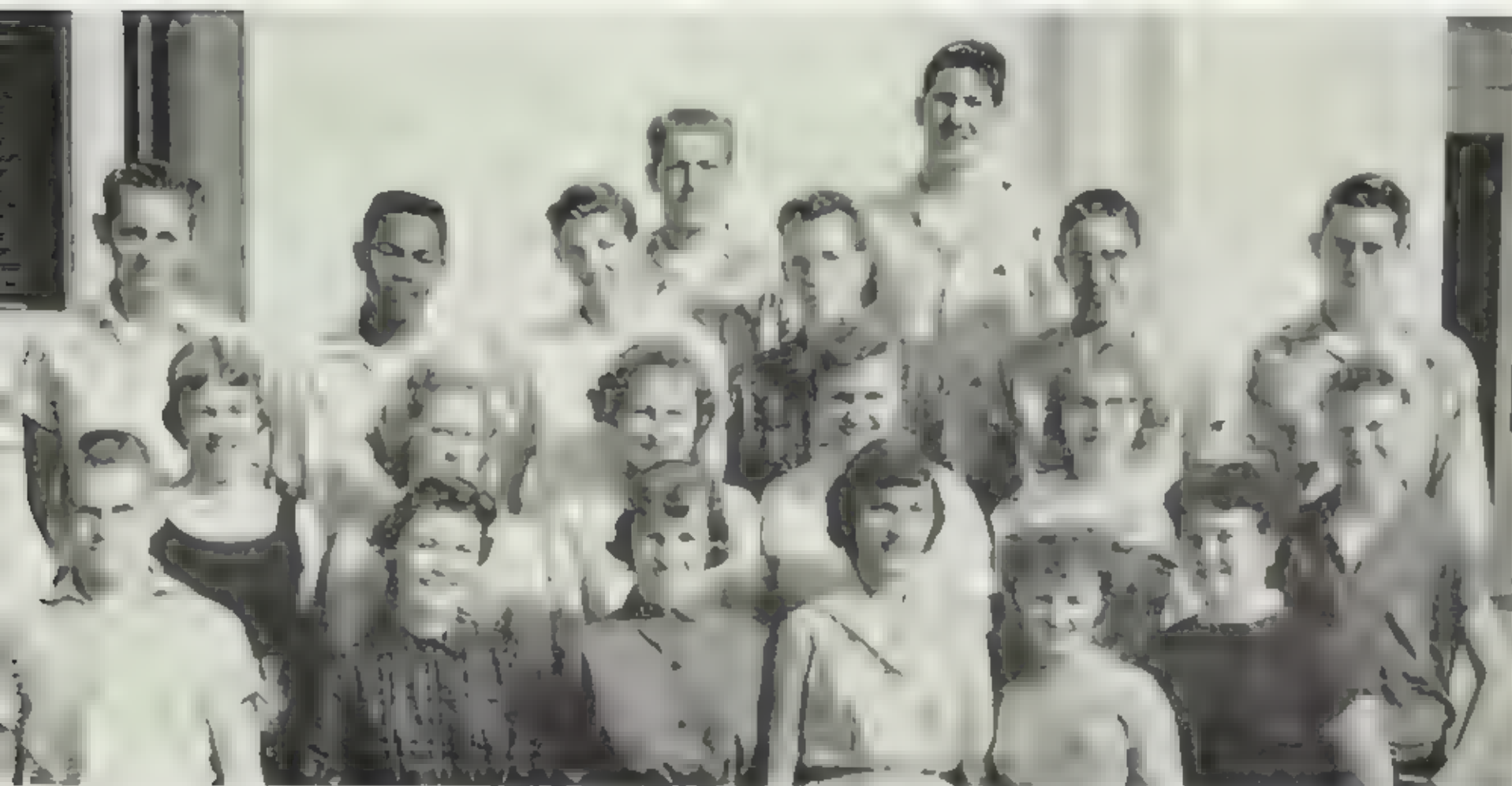




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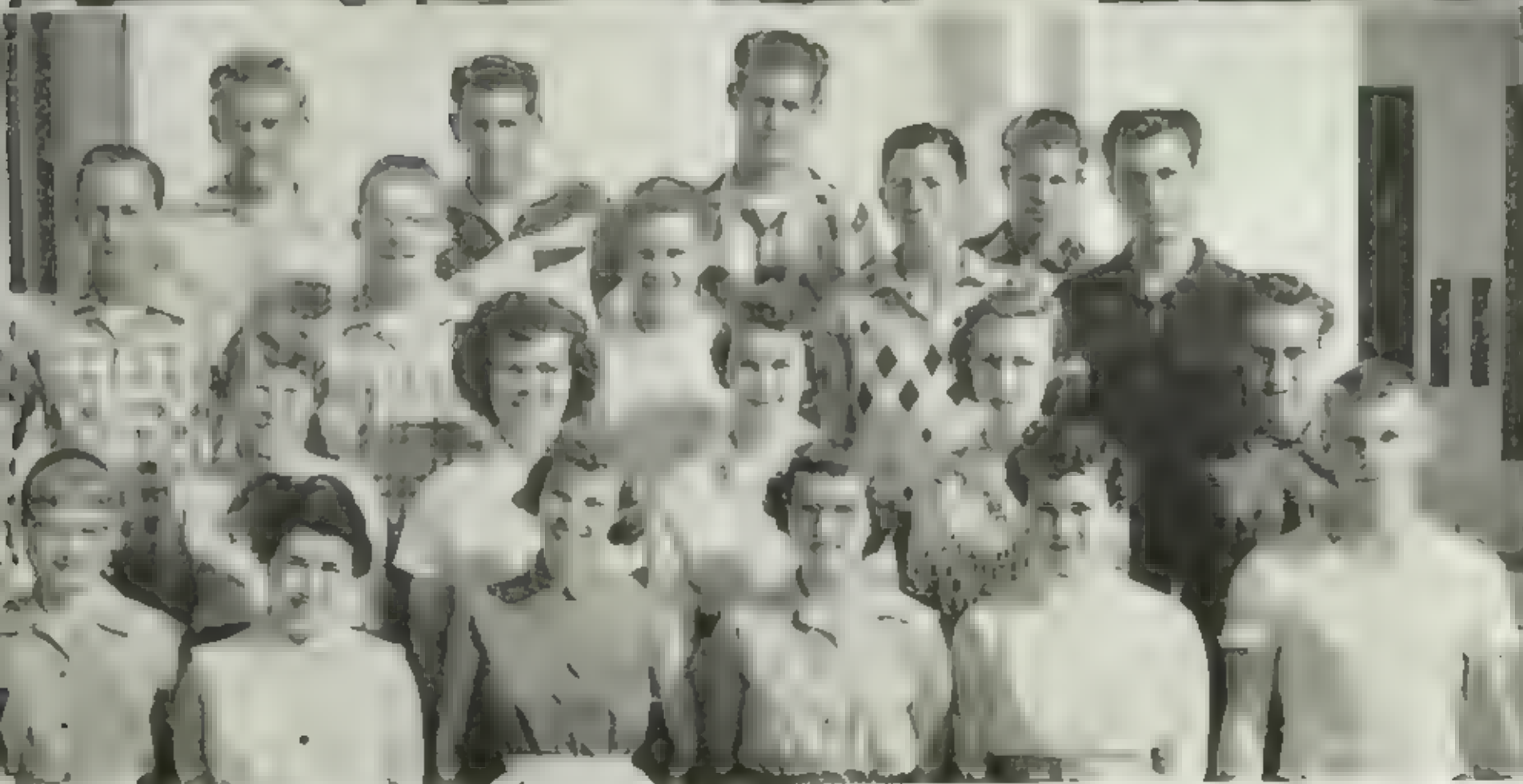
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juniors

Row 3: W. Waldrup, J. Wankum, K. Settlemire, G. McGehee. Row 2: L. White, K. Thomas, B. Treleven, J. Roberts. Row 1: D. Stubblefield, S. Young, H. Woods, V. Whitfield



Row 4: R. Gray, G. Madron, L. Hankins, C. Fox. Row 3: H. Hutson, J. Goodall, K. Lively, C. Helt, T. Holloway. Row 2: C. Hankins, C. Lane, W. Cornelius, H. Loewen, R. Gibson. Row 1: N. Frey, G. Leon, B. Johnson, J. Hadlock, W. Jameson, C. Holt

juniors

Row 3: M. Wagner, C. Struempf, F. Provencio. Row 2: P. Unruh, N. Sunderland, P. Wolfe, P. VanPelt. Row 1: J. Tiger, M. Stinnett, B. Sutton, B. Wilcox



Row 3: T. Gill, E. Enns, C. Hammer, W. Clements, J. Franklin, J. Ellis, J. Hillblom. Row 2: B. Maston, L. Cox, F. Cole, E. Clayton, W. Eskew, M. Clark. Row 1: K. Lyons, B. Corcoran, L. Bryan, H. Baltierra, P. Luna, M. Anderson, R. Gallardo

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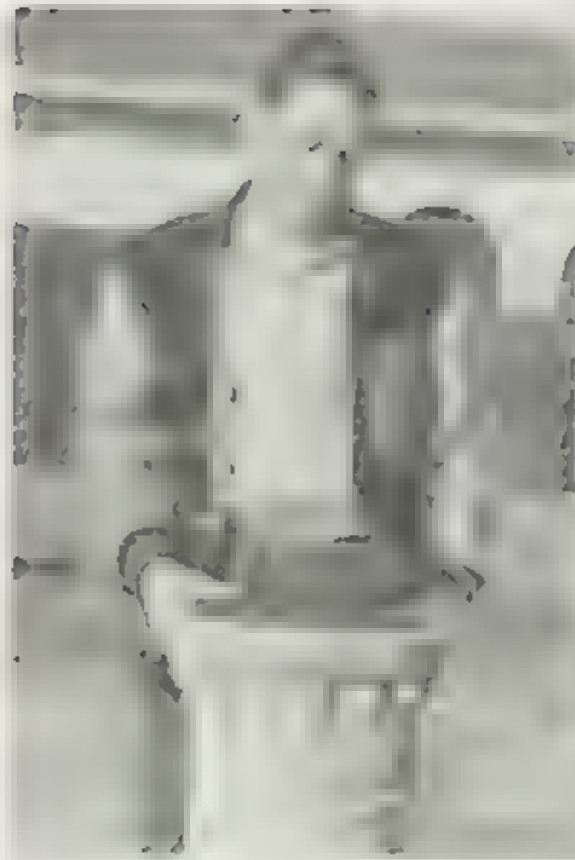
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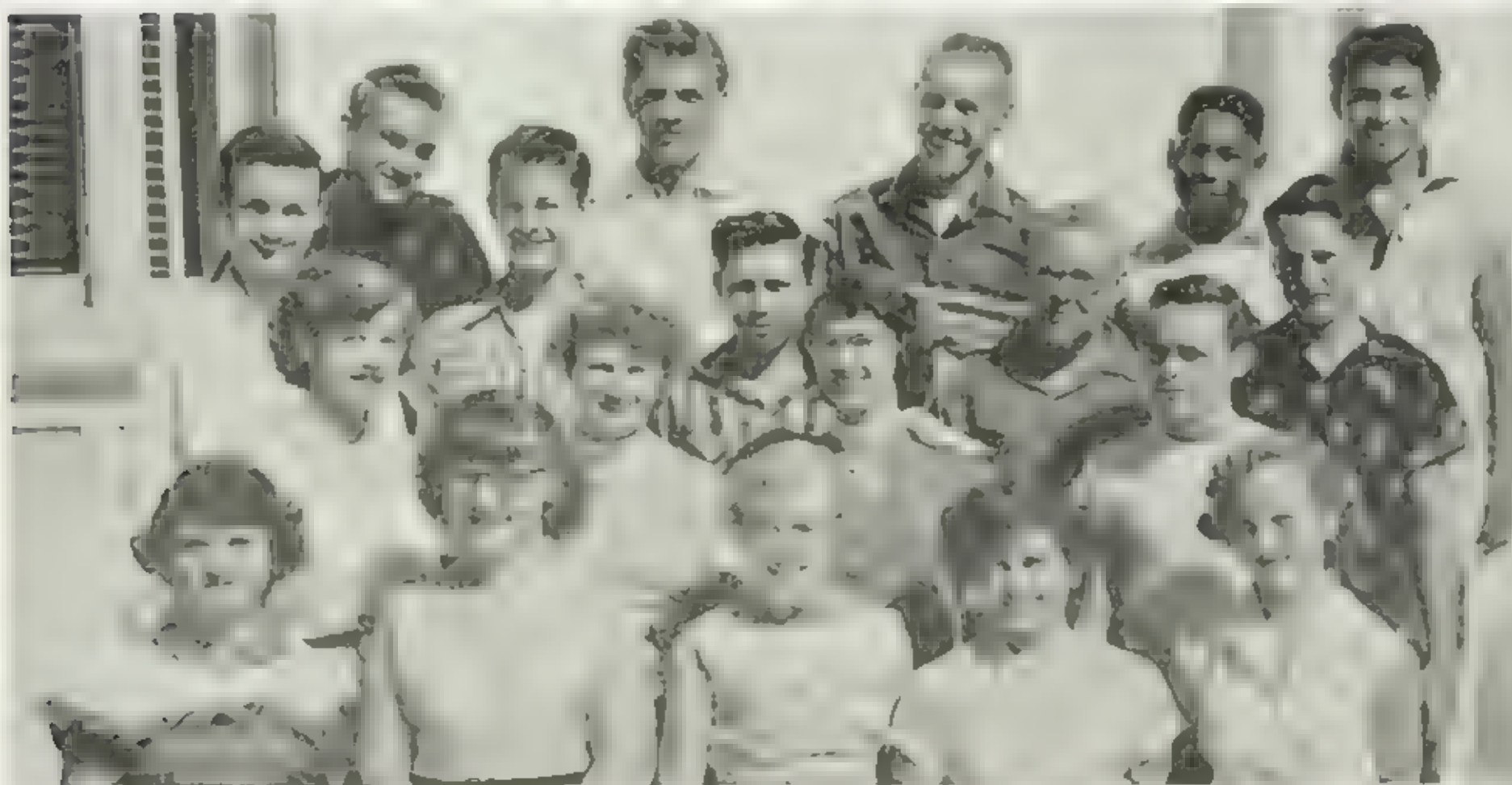
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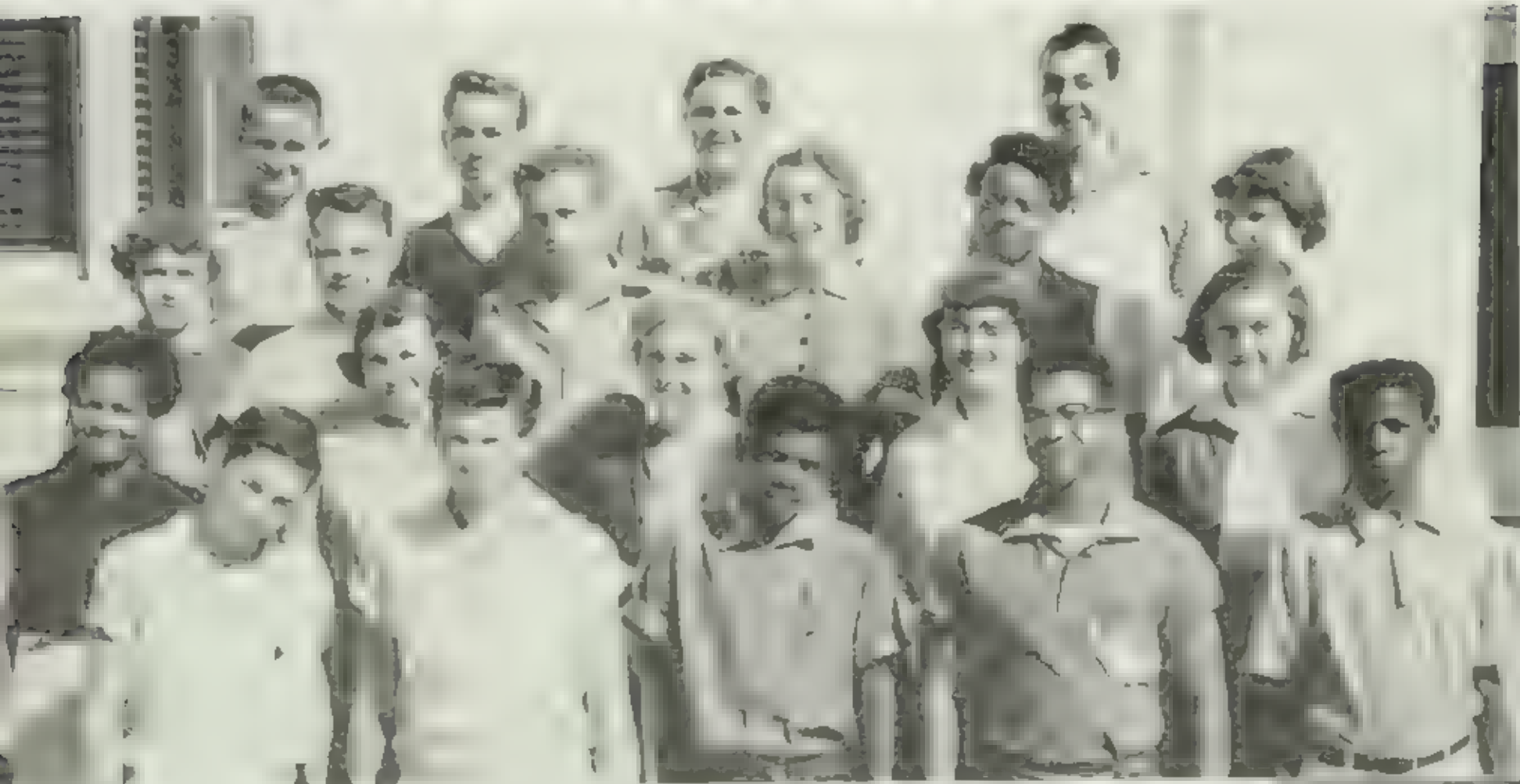
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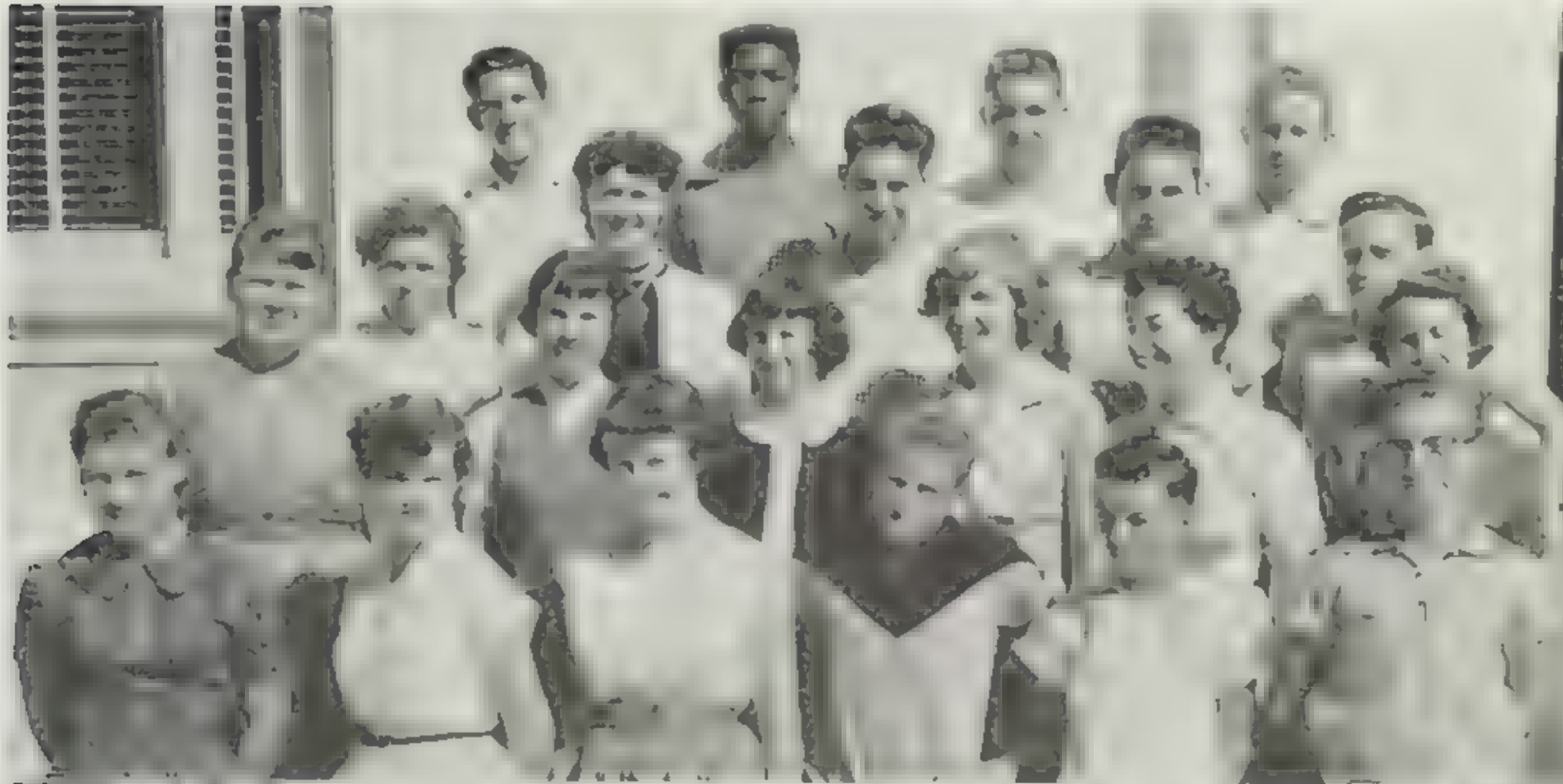
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Laughlin, B. Rogers



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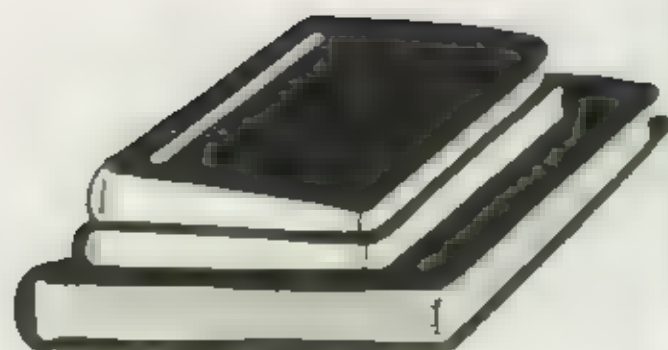
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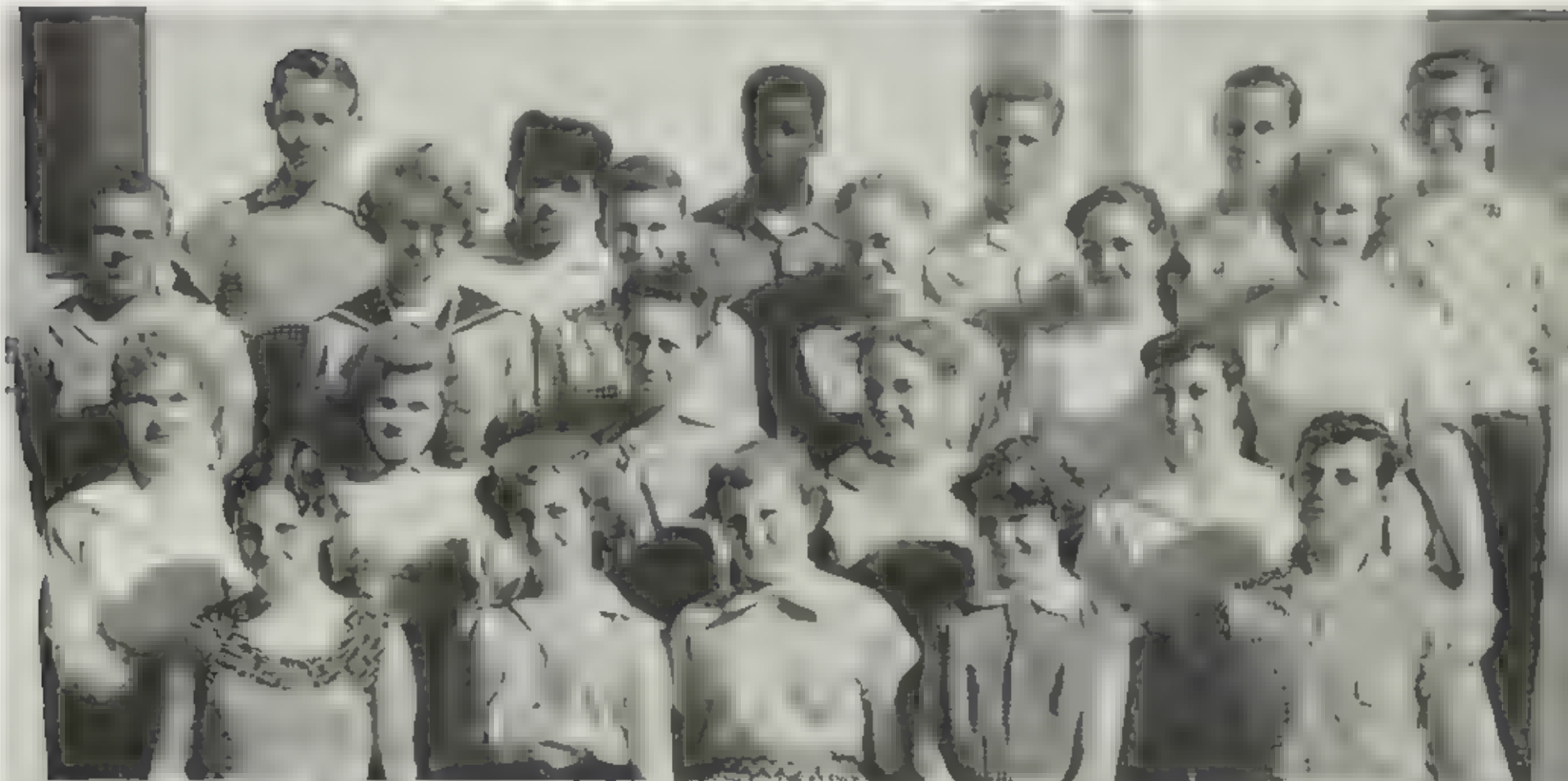
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Charles Moore, business manager, and Marlea Wagner, advertising manager, look on while Jo Anne Gilmer, editor, explains the layout of this weeks paper



Anne Gilmer looks with pride at the accomplishments made by the Tiger Rag staff

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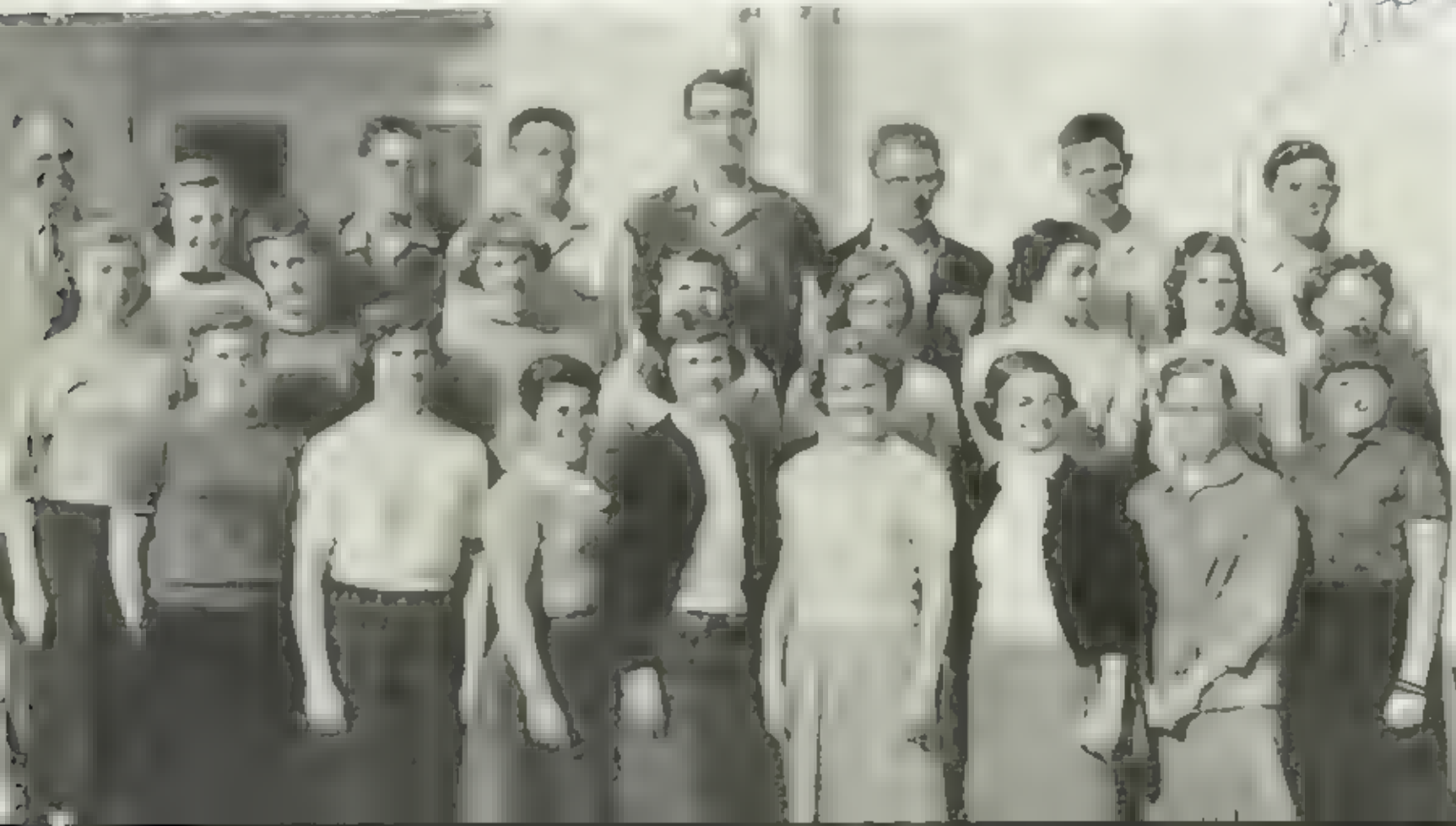
The Water Chapter of the California Scholarship Federation is comprised of some of the most outstanding students at Water High. It is an interesting fact that many of those who participate in this extraordinary activity are also noted for their scholastic ability.

The C. S. F. is organized to provide recognition for meritorious scholarship and to promote good study habits. Membership is gained by receiving a total of ten points for semester grades of A and B in three points of B. Only subjects requiring preparation are counted. An additional two points may be earned through work in extra-curricular activities.

Membership for six semesters entitles a student to the senior year earn the student a life membership. This is an important factor in the selection of colleges and universities when considering an application for admission.

Along with these studies, reports, the C. S. F. also sponsors many other activities. The Fall conference held at Tule, the spring conference at Tule, the two Annual Student Teaching Days, and the spring banquet were all attended or sponsored by the C. S. F.

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 DAN MERZ, President



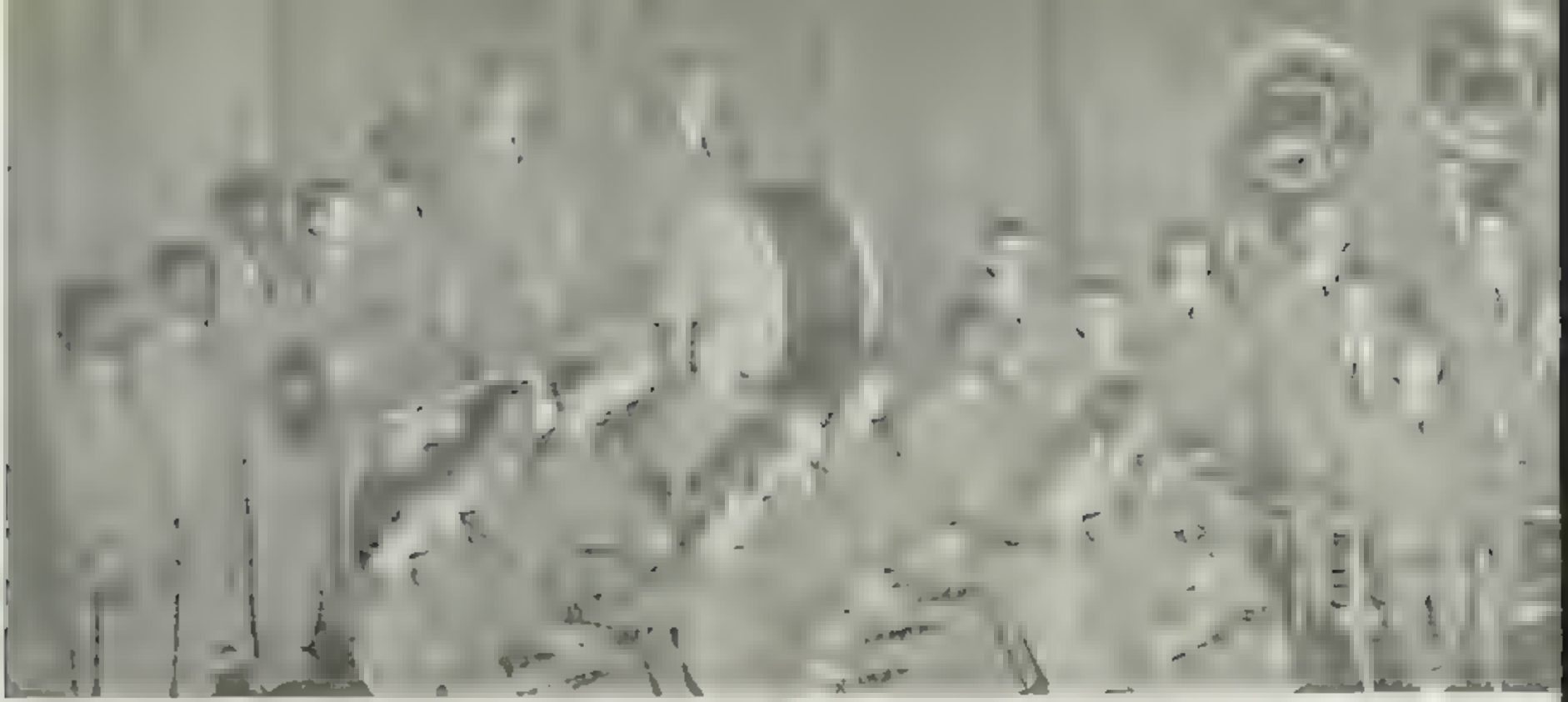
A typical class meeting takes place.



Mr. George takes time out to explain
 the point system to Karen Morris



Douglas Heinrichs and Evelyn Ediger
 discuss world affairs



RONNIE STEWARD, Band Representative
 MARY JANE ACKLIN Secretary
 LEROY BALZER Vice President
 JAMES WASSON President



JAMES WASSON President
 MARY JANE ACKLIN Secretary
 CAROLYN CAMERON Treasurer
 RONNIE STEWARD, Band Representative
 LEROY BALZER, Vice President



tiger band

One look at the Band Calendar easily affirms that our Tiger Band, under the direction of Mr. Robert Manning, is one of the most active organizations on the campus.

The Orange and Black proved outstanding at all the games, where lively majorettes led them through precise maneuvers: a boat, a walking man, and the musical version of Brigadoon.

Four members of the Wasco Union High School Band played in the Kern County Honor Band, and two members of the Orchestra participated in the Honor Orchestra.

To highlight the year, Marilynne Clemens received first place in the All-Western Band Revue for the best military-drum-majorette. The majorette team as a whole came home to Wasco with a first place trophy for the best drill team.

As concert season began, the Band was still quite active, first in the Kern County Music Festival and then at the annual Wasco Union High School Spring Concert, given for the townspeople and students.

Concluding the year with a flourishing, yet tender, touch, the band played "Pomp and Circumstance" as the Seniors marched toward their diplomas and a new life.

PEP BAND



band calendar

1955-1956

September 23	Football Game - Tost
September 30	Football Game - Deane
October 7	Football Game - Arvin
October 8	Deane Harvest Festival Parade
October 14	Football Game - Lindsay
October 22	Football Game - Santa
October 28	Football Game - Corning
November 3	San Francisco and Pasadena
November 4	Harvest Assembly
	Football Game - Fresno
November 11	Football Game - Clovis
November 18	Assembly by Byron
November 18	Football Game - Exeter
November 20	Long Beach All Western Band Review
December 3	Shrine Project - Bow - Bakersfield
December 22	Christmas Assembly
	Merchant Parade
February	Kern County Honor Band
March 3	Kern County Honor Orchestra
March 9	Spring Music Festival - East Bakersfield
April 6	Fourth Grade Assembly
April 24	Public School Week Program
April 30	Spring Concert
May 25	Graduation Exercises



That my little girl
will be a doctor



boys' chorus

BILL KIRBY Treasurer
NORMAN MOVSESIAN, President
ROBERT MOORE Vice President
PAUL EVANS Secretary

JAMES WASSON Secretary
GENE HOGAN Treasurer
JIM NAPIER President
GERALD HOWARD Vice President



Row 3: J. Wasson, T. Holloway, A. Kroeker, L. Hankins, J. Ellis, L. Kaufman, A. Gentry, G. Hogan, G. Howard, B. Babishoff, R. Loya, T. McDonald, D. Holton, G. Bergholtz, L. Rolin, J. Brooks, B. Kirby. Row 2: P. Evans, B. Tackett, G. Lemmons, D. Erlson, C. Clayton, M. Hankins, L. Snow, C. Duerksen, V. Dougan, N. Movesian, J. Bayett, J. Napier. Row 1: R. Aronson, R. Moore, T. Baltierra, B. Laughlin, C. Willard, B. Young, V. McDonald, T. Floyd, B. Rodgers, D. Roberts, B. Pergson



In the "S": R. Mathis, B. Teasley, M. Ellis, G. Bergthold, D. Wise, T. Gill, J. Napier, G. Robinson, E. Holi, K. Thomas, M. Wagner, T. Tiger, V. Whitfield.
 In the "R": B. Menees, N. Permenter, G. Hogan, E. Pohl, E. Whitworth, Miss Brown, L. Ryan, M. Suggs, M. Oliver, S. Hively, B. Schultz, C. Moreland, J. Boyett, J. Marks, M. Willey, J. Hodlock, R. McMullen, M. Starnell.
 In the "C": Mr. Parrott, Mr. Wise, C. Duerksen, M. Miller, P. Unruh, L. Schmidt, M. Clemens, A. Hively, L. Balzer, P. Latta, E. Ediger, T. Miller, B. Johnson, P. Sellers.

song & rooters

The Song and Rooters Club is an organization consisting of approximately 40 students devoted to the cause of fostering sportsmanship and school spirit.

To become a member of the S. R. C., students must submit their names to the club, via officers, to be voted upon immediately before the first football game. The number of applicants admitted equals the number of club members who graduated the year before.

One of the main events sponsored by the S. R. C. is the Sportsmanship Assembly, held every year before football season. During this program, the superintendent, principal, director of athletics, a coach, a spectator, an athlete, and the Student Body President give voice to the various aspects of good sportsmanship.

In addition, the S. R. C. is responsible for the decorating of goal posts for home games and the printing and distributing of programs for these games.

Besides these regular activities, the Song and Rooters Club presented the Student Body a large cross-country trophy, with the name of the outstanding runner of the year engraved on it. Each year a name will be added to the trophy, and the honoree will receive a small replica of it for a memento.

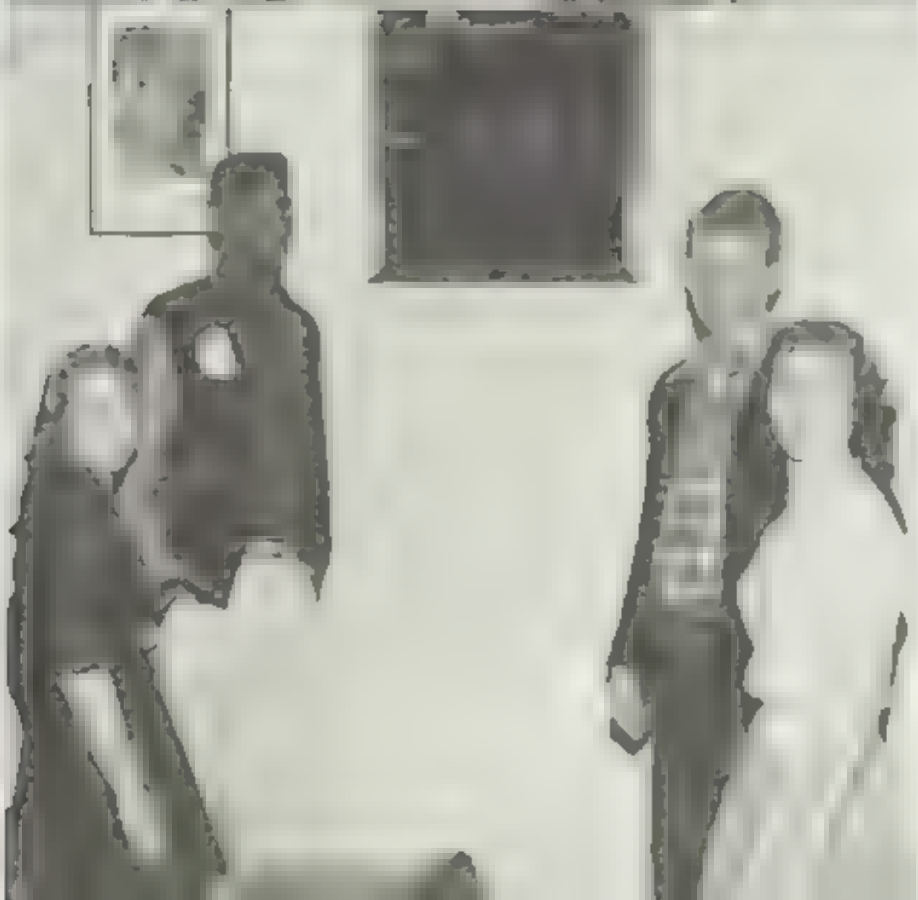
The hardworking advisors for this active group are Mr. Paul Wise, organizer of rallies this year, Miss Martha Brown, and Mr. G. A. Parrott.



club



ELAINE WHITWORTH Vice President
JENE HOGAN President
JANET HADLOCK Treasurer
MARLEA WAGNER Secretary



MARTHA STINNETT Treasurer
MAC ELLIS, Vice President
JORDON BERGTHOLD, President
EAUNETA MARKS, Secretary



MYRTLE DEMER, ARITH, EMMA HARRIS, President, LAURA CONNOR
 A. WHITFIELD, Reporter, PEG KING
 V. WHITFIELD, E. HARRISON

Back Row: N. Nicol, P. King, R. Moore, R. Whitfield. Front Row: L. Higgins, N. Miller
 V. Whitfield, E. Harrison



science club

JOANNE GILMER, DAN MERZ
Presidents



SIDNEY STEPHENS, CAROLYN LANE
Vice Presidents



EVELYN EDIGER, GLORIA LEON
Secretaries



SHERMAN MAY, Treasurer



Row 4: J. Goodall, L. Baizer, M. Wagner. Row 3: M. Roulier, J. Gilmer, S. May, J. Hubbs. Row 2: S. Stephens, H. Loewen, E. Ediger, D. Trew, R. Steward. Row 1: Mr. Smith, C. Crowder, R. Covert, G. Leon, Y. Villegas, Mr. Hubbs.





Top Picture: Jo Anne Gilmer, Reporter, Betty Petker Secretary-Treasurer, Marlea Wagner, Vice President, Car Duerksen, President



Bottom Picture: Ronnie Mathis, President, Jo Anne Gilmer, Reporter, Noreen Sunderland, Secretary, Mary Miller, Vice President, Janice Balzer Representative

The Forensic Club was organized a few years ago to promote interest in speech and drama. The club has a new director this year, Mr. Lawrence Mendenhall, a newcomer to the faculty who has had much experience and background in speech work. The Forensic Club, as usual, was very active during the school term.

The year's activities commenced with an initiation party for the new members. One of the largest groups of thespians was admitted into the club this fall.

Probably the most enjoyable activity of the Forensic members was their annual excursion to Hollywood. There they made extensive tours of the N.B.C. and C.B.S. radio and television studios. During their trip the members had the honor of seeing such celebrities as Eddie Fisher, Debbie Reynolds, George Gobel, Red Skelton, Nat "King" Cole, Bobby Vann and others.

Later in the year, a few of the members of the Club attended the Forensic Club Tournament held in Bakersfield. Although they did not participate, they explained that it was very interesting to watch the amateur actors and compare their performances.

Row 5: P. Bergen, D. Trew. Row 4: T. Baltierra, K. Lively, W. Siemens, J. Wasson, C. Hammer, C. Duerksen, R. Steward, L. Pace. Row 3: P. Unruh, M. Miller, L. Balzer, N. Movsesian, R. Mathis, G. Longenecker, E. Pohl, M. Clark. Row 2: J. Gilmer, E. Ediger, J. Balzer, N. Sunderland, W. Cornelius, C. Lane, M. Wagner, C. Crowder, S. May, W. Hale. Row 1: S. Hively, Y. Villegas, N. Frey, B. Menees, B. Petker, C. Moreland, T. Smith, A. Hively, R. McMullen, M. Miller, L. Gill.





Betty Petker, Ann Hively, James Wasson and Carl Duerksen pause during a play rehearsal for a moment of relaxation



Ray Barker proudly exhibits the first place trophy he won in the Lincoln County contest. Petker later went on to compete in the state contest in Lincoln where he placed second. He is speaking on the topic "Youth Previews of Today and Tomorrow."

forensic club



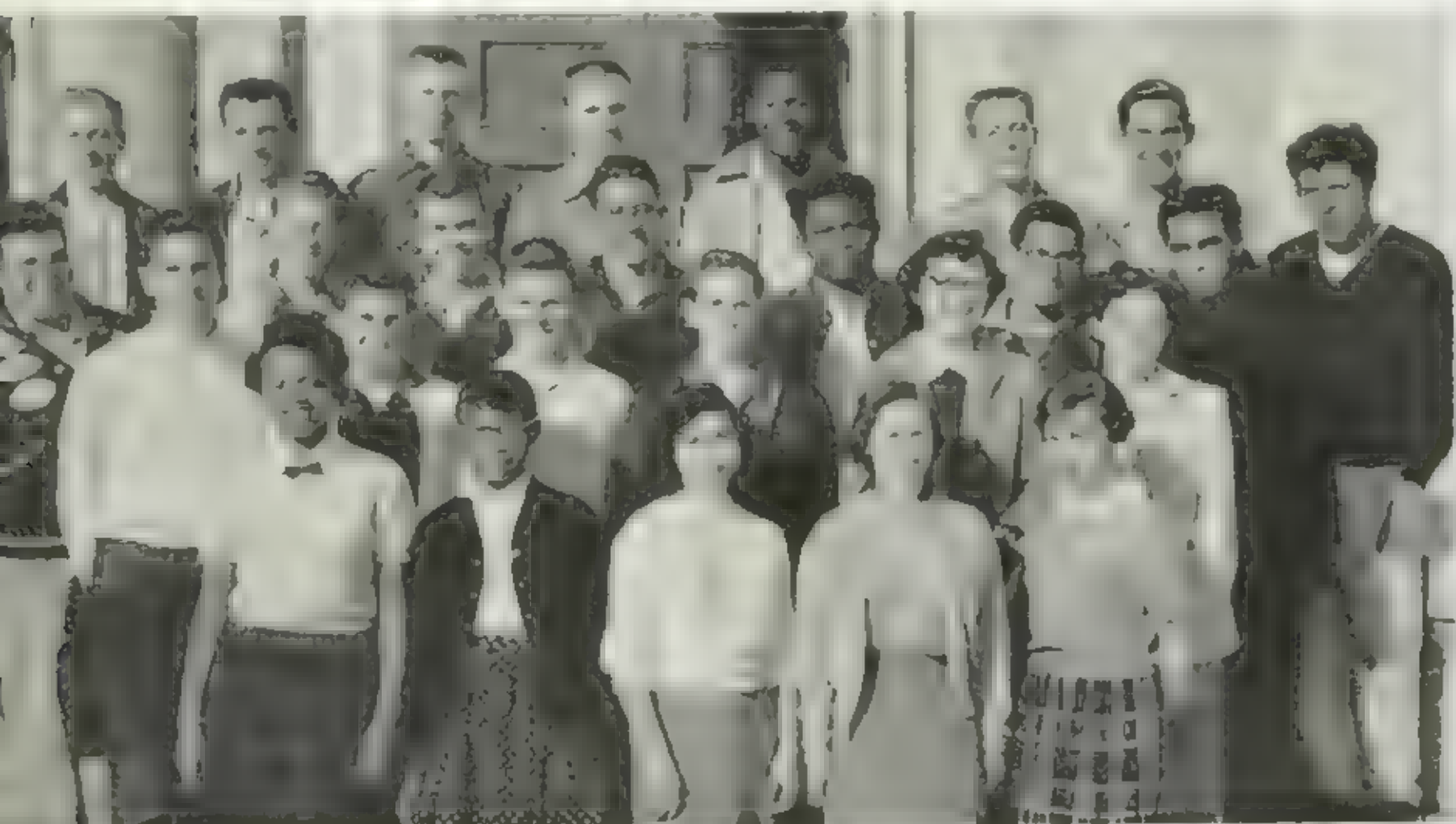
The shutterbugs find themselves by the fire on their annual snow trip.

The Camera Club first appeared on the Wasco High scene in 1939. The group was very active for two years, but disappeared at War II. War II was then forgotten. When Mr. Burgess came to Wasco in 1953, the club was revived, and now it has become one of the most active groups on the campus.

This year the Camera Club has thirty-two members practicing the art of taking, developing and printing pictures as a leisure time activity. The shutterbugs start with the fundamentals of photography and gradually work upward, learning all the techniques of taking better pictures. Highlights of the year is the annual Snappy Model's snow trip, which always produces many interesting pictures and a lot of fun.

Last September the old members welcomed the new shutter-snappers with a traditional initiation party, with the new members dressed in various photographic costumes. Meetings of the Camera Club are held each Wednesday night in the old photography room. Shutterbugs hope to have a new room in which to meet.

Row 4: C. Duerksen, T. Batterra, D. Wise, C. Winn, R. Moore, J. Wankam, H. Blum, J. G. Garfield
Row 3: J. Reyes, S. Stephens, S. May, L. M. Combs, J. Miller, F. Provencio, R. Loya
Row 2: K. Anderson, D. Thompson, K. Lively, T. McCord, T. Lutz, H. Batterra, Row 1: M. Demery, N. Miller, J. Priddy, G. Hansen, D. McGehee





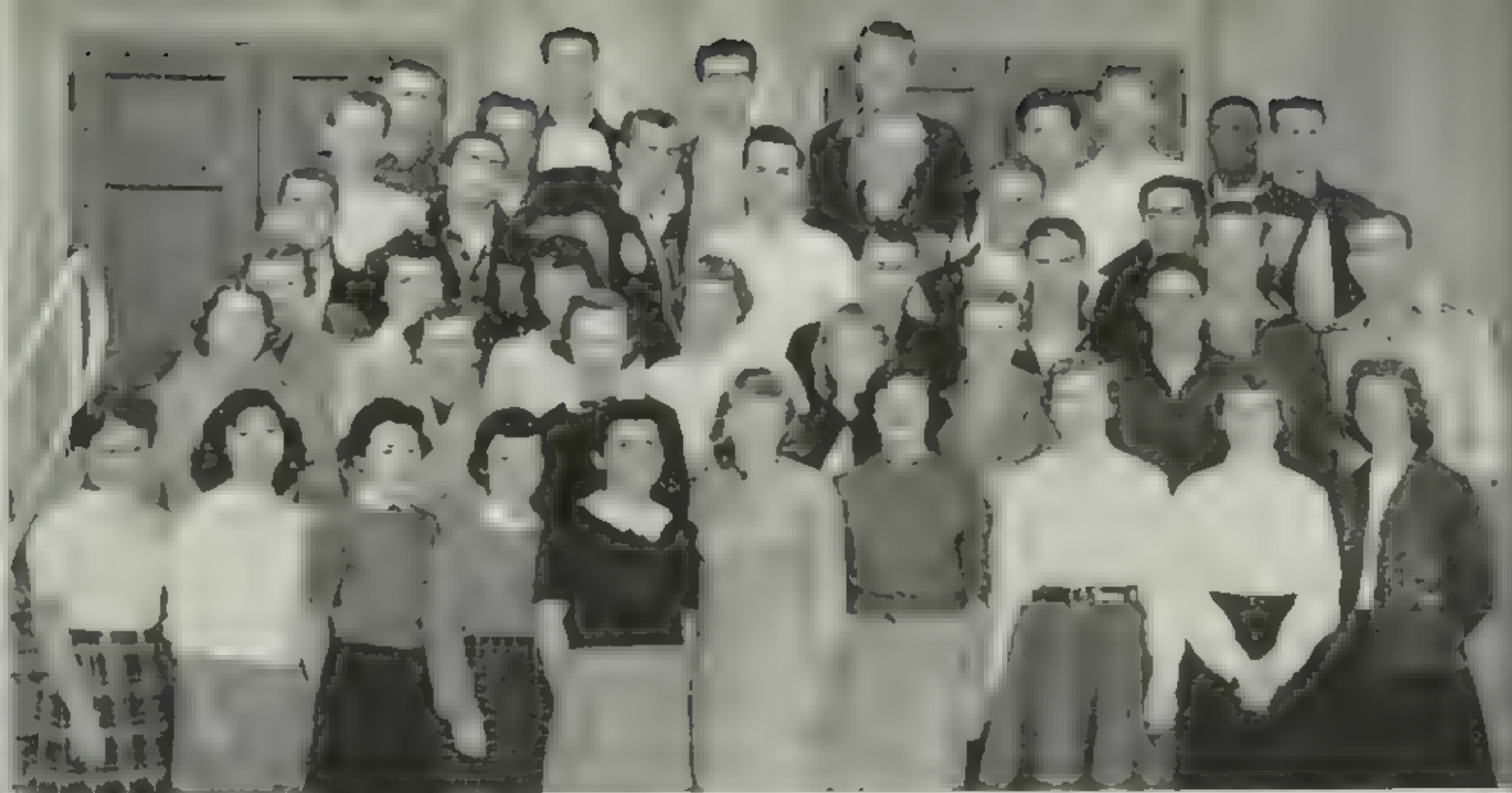
FROM LEFT
 JAMES ALLEN
 CARL HANSEN
 FRED MILLER



FROM LEFT
 JAMES ALLEN, President
 FRED MILLER, Rep. to
 CARL HANSEN, Rep. to
 E. MILLER, Rep. to
 VINCE BELL, Sergeant at Arms

The group in which the Reeves takes a picture of the festive situation





Row 6 D. Wain, J. Swan, G. Howard, G. Bereth, J. C. Hammer, B. Velt. Row 5 L. Pace, B. Brooks, D. Butler, Franklin, C. M. e. Row 4 K. Thomas, T. J. G. Hagan, F. Theisen, R. Morris, R. L. yd. Row 3 B. Neufeld, C. Lane, L. Schmidt, M. Wagner, R. Steward, G. Longnecker, L. Bizer, J. Naper. Row 2 W. W. D. Lambert, H. L. W. D. Penner, M. Clark, L. McCombs. Row 1 B. Parker, J. Prater, G. Leon, R. Cherry, V. Vegas, N. N. P. King, E. Whitworth, L. Fletcher, E. Eager.

One of the largest and most active clubs on the campus is the Spanish Club under the supervision of advisor Mr. Arr. Forrest.

Following the Lindsay football game on October 14, the Spanish enthusiasts sponsored a dance in the cafeteria.

Enthusiasm still bubbling over, the club held two parties for its own members, one in gym party and the other a Christmas party in the cafeteria, complete with Christmas dinner afterward.

During the spring semester, another get-together took place in the gymnasium, but the largest and most entertaining was the annual Spanish Club Banquet where 150 new dishes were eaten by guests and members. Student decorations and entertainment created a Spanish effect.

This summer, as in past years, a group of Spanish Club members are traveling abroad to Mexico this time where they hope to enjoy themselves immensely and also hope to go a never-to-be-forgotten experience.

Row 6 M. Gilmer, C. Winn. Row 5 C. P. Velt, M. B. J. R. Lane, W. Samens, J. Brooks, S. Smith, L. Douglas, A. G. M. Velt. Row 4 L. Ryan, J. Ward, J. Gilmer, M. Clemens, R. Woods, M. Dixon, R. White. Row 3 D. J. J. K. Morris, S. Peters, L. H. K. Emerson, J. Ward, N. Permenter, R. Messick. Row 2 S. H. V. Y. Ban, N. Engle, C. Rose, B. W. L. Over, J. Marks, J. McKimney, D. Meyers. Row 1 J. Pace, C. M. Ireland, P. L. B. Menees, C. Comer, L. Wheeler, L. Krantz.



spanish club

RONNIE MATHIS, President, FRANKLIN THIESSEN,
Treasurer, MARY CLARK, Secretary, JACK COWAN,
Vice President



JERRY NAPIER, Vice President, JEAUNETA MARKS
Secretary, JACK COWAN, President, LEROY
BALZER, Treasurer





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the three is the left

Eight years with the term to

Traditionally the most active club on the Wasco Campus the Latin Club did not rest on their laurels during the past year. The Romans inspired with the mood of the recent Geneva peace conference opened the school term by joining their rivals from time immemorial, the Spanish Club, to present one of the years most successful banquets.

The slave auction carried on in the traditional Roman fashion provided a touch of color in the first weeks of school as the initiates were sent to the senior members in return for a week of such varied service as performing in duty hall, polishing shoes, carrying books and any other embarrassing schemes that could be contrived.

In a variation of the usual Roman banquet the Latin Club provided a sumptuous dinner for the parents whose labors have produced the past highly successful affairs. Under the direction of Miss Ruud the Latin Club concluded an outstanding year.

Miss Evelyn Ruud, a teacher at Wasco High for 25 years, and an advisor to Sub Verbo the Latin Club plans to retire from her position this year. She has faithfully inspired the minds of many students of Latin history and English. Because she has served as an advisor, a helpful counselor, a wise teacher, and an inspiring friend the students of Wasco High bid Miss Ruud a regretful farewell along with many thanks and best wishes.

Row 4: G. Hawkins, E. H. Hermann, G. Green, J. Miller. Row 3: M. Caves, J. Zacher, E. Pohl. Row 2: M. Acklin, J. Linnenbrink, L. Jacobsen, S. Smith, L. G. Row 1: N. Bergen, T. Iribarren, K. Hammarsten, E. Miller, M. Lequeieu, L. Laughlin.





Earlynne Miller fearfully awaits the highest bidder

MARY JANE ACKLIN, President
WANDA NALE, Vice President
SHERMAN MAY, Secretary-Treasurer



W. KE ROULER, Vice President
THERESA IRIBARREN, Secretary-Treasurer
LYNN JACOBSEN, President



Row 5: D. Merz, J. Goodall, R. Loya, J. Wankum. Row 4: S. May, S. Stephens, G. Hurst, D. Smith, J. Wasson. Row 3: B. Cherry, T. Baltierra, K. Lively, C. Crowder, J. Gilmer. Row 2: C. Struempf, N. Sunderland, N. Miller, W. Cornelius, M. Correll, W. Nale. Row 1: S. Keeling, G. Leon, R. Colbert, N. Frey, T. Miller.





MARTHA STINNETT Secretary, BOBBIE SUTTON President
VELVA WHITFIELD, Reporter, VONDA WEAVER, Historian
GLADYS HUTCHINS, Parliamentarian



future homemakers

KATHA TAYLOR, Treasurer, LUCY A. WILLEY, Secretary
EMMA HARRIS, Reporter, VELVA WHITFIELD, Historian
GLADYS HUTCHINS, Parliamentarian

Back Row, G. Hutchins, E. Harrison, M. Willey, S. Sutton, R. Green, G. Stinnett, V. Whitfield, M. Stinnett, N. M. Stinnett





Back Row. B. Strieff, L. Kelly, P. Shackelford, D. McGehee, M. Sly Front Row. M. Demery
P. Davis, M. Threott

of america



MARY ELLEN WILLEY
Sectional President

Maintenance of happy successful homes, the art of good grooming, interior decorating budgeting, care of children — these are a few of the objectives of the F. H. A.

The Wasco Chapter of the Future Homemakers of America was organized in 1945 with ten charter members. Membership has grown each succeeding year and now numbers approximately twenty-five active members.

Numerous worthwhile activities were planned by the F. H. A. this year, two of which were sending Christmas boxes to the Board of Trustees during Yuletide Season and placing attractive packets of cookies in all teachers' boxes during F. H. A. Week.

The outstanding event of the season, however, was the convention of Section VIII, Future Homemakers of America, here in Wasco. Mary Ellen Willey, the only sectional prexy ever to be elected from Wasco High School, presided at the convention.

Miss Mary Weber and Mrs. Rosemary Ross, advisors to the group, assisted in plans and activities of the year.



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 PEGGY KING, Parliamentarian
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 NORMA NICOL, Vice President
 ROBBIE CHERRY, Vice President



CAROLE STRUJEMPF, Treasurer
 JUDY WILCOX, Parliamentarian
 EVELYN EDIGER, Vice President
 PEGGY KING, President
 HELEN McEANE, Secretary

future teachers club

Row 3: C. Crowder, M. Acklin, J. Gilmer, C. Struempf, K. Lively. Row 2: J. Wilcox, P. King
 N. Nicol, C. Moreland, S. McDaniel. Row 1: E. Ediger, D. Penner, R. Cherry, Y. Villegas



Row 3: G. Lemmon, V. Dugan, P. Evans. Row 2: M. Hankins, P. Tiner, G. Henry, J. Hulsey
Row 1: T. Floyd, C. Weaver, B. Young



School began with a burst of publicity for the Wasco Future Farmers. National attention was brought again to Wasco through an article in a weekly magazine. Time told of the activities and of the success stories of many of the boys who have become established in farming following graduation from the Wasco Union High School Agriculture Department.

Immediately following the publication of the article, Mr. Paul D. Spilsbury was called to Venezuela to serve as an advisor to that country's School of Practical Agriculture at Maracay. Mr. Spilsbury was granted a year's leave of absence and Mr. Meri Tietler was appointed as acting department head. Mr. Edwards carried on as assistant and Mr. Brassfield was added to the staff.

At the 1955 California State Fair the chapter placed first in farm mechanics for the eighth consecutive year. The members exhibited 84 individual projects. Wasco boys placed second in grooming, fitting and neatness and won third prizes in the beef sweepstakes competition. Lou's Kaufman's Hereford steer was judged Reserve Grand Champion FFA fat steer. Bob Kirby and Joe Bagdasarian won an FFA reserve breed championship award.

Only a month later, the Wasco FFA was again in competition at the 1955 Kern County Fair. That show will probably go down in FFA history as the most complete sweep that a single chapter has ever made. The local Future Farmers took Grand Champion and Reserve Grand Champion awards in the beef division. Tommy Brown and Lou's Kaufman were the honored exhibitors. Arnold Kroeker had the Grand Champion

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Row 5: T. Miller, R. Gray, F. Bauer, W. Cole, B. Kirby, J. Ellis. Row 4: C. Helt, J. Baggs, C. Hamlin, G. Rolin, E. Clayton. Row 3: Mr. Edwards, T. Holloway, A. Kroeker, B. Brooks, Mr. Tobler. Row 2: W. Waldrup, F. Cole, V. McGuire, J. Mozingo, L. Mixon, C. Camargo. Row 1: T. Patterson, J. Eskew, R. Gibson, J. Barnes, A. Borjon, R. Payne.



Row 4: J. Blanton, W. Clements, W. Woodard, J. Carter. Row 3: J. Rolin, B. Gresham, H. Mayo, B. James. Row 2: D. Roberts, L. Davis, B. Pergson, L. Snow, Mr. Edwards. Row 1: D. Ellison, C. Duerksen, H. Stinnett, M. Hollmark.

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pen of 5 fat steers. Bob Kirby placed first in the FFA best snowmanship contest.

Many of the classes found Wasco boys taking 5 or 6 places before any other. One even placed in swine. Kenneth Sattermire exhibited the Reserve Champion FFA fat hog. Repeating their performance at the State Fair. Wasco Future Farmers entered over 60% of the farm mechanics and won far over 80% of the prizes.

Thanksgiving holidays found the Wasco FFA stockmen in Los Angeles attending the Great Western Livestock Show. Competing against organizations from all of the western United States, the boys won 21 of 56 available ribbons in the beef division. Wayne Waldrup and Joe Bauer exhibited breed champions. Charles Curren showed the reserve FFA champion pen of three fat lambs. TV cameras televised the Wasco boys as they were unloading the stock and as soon as they showed them readying for exhibition. Group chairman, Wayne Waldrup, accepted the invitation of the Los Angeles City School to exhibit and explain their livestock projects. Tipton Highway Joe Bauer, Charles Curren, Tommy Brown and Wayne Waldrup were featured in the program.

Tipton Highway's name was added to those of Tommy Brown, Jay Wedel, and Vernon Crawford, on the permanent chapter trophy for cup speaking. Tipton placed second in the county meet speaking on "Food for the Future."

A group of outstanding juniors attended the Junior Grand National Livestock Show in San Francisco. Entries were made in beef and swine.

March 10th was the date chosen for the Annual Parents' and Friends Banquet. Louis Kaufman was toastmaster and talks were given by several chapter members. State Farmer degrees were presented to Charles Curren, Vernon Crawford and Arnold Kroeker. Wayne Waldrup and Floyd Bauer have made application for State Farmer Degree for this year and Don Anderson has made application for American Farmer Degree. Larry Mixon won the California Bankers award and the Star Farmer award went to Wayne Waldrup. Mrs. Horace Brooks was chosen Mother of the year, Lester R. Smith and Sebastian Streff were chosen Senior and Junior Citizens of the year. The names of Carl Hammarsten, Mr. Pat Sereant, and Sebastian Streff were added to the Honorary Chapter Members. The award for outstanding achievement by a Father and Son team was won by Grady Thompson.

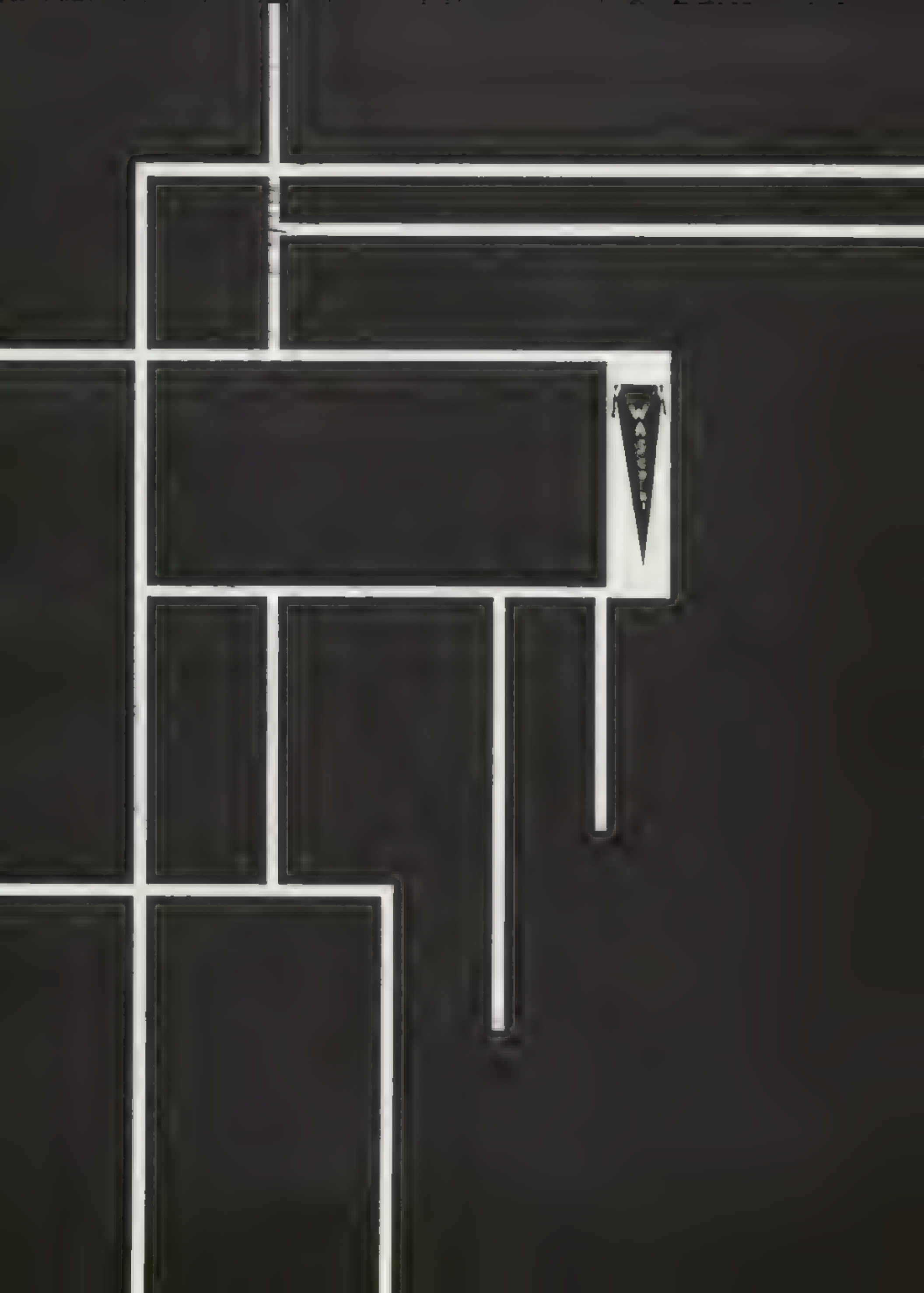
Energetic and lovely Miss Chris Moseley was chosen queen of the 1955 rodeo. Chairman Don Anderson directed activities of one of the most successful rodeos to date.

Larry Mixon served as president the first semester and Louis Kaufman presided during the second semester. Both boys were excellent leaders and were assisted by a cooperative group of officers. They were:

FIRST SEMESTER	OFFICE	SECOND SEMESTER
Larry Mixon	President.....	Louis Kaufman
Louis Kaufman	Vice-President.....	J. R. Mozingo
Lavern Rolin	Secretary.....	Arthur Borjon
Jim Eskew	Treasurer.....	Vernon McGuire
Joe Baggs	Reporter	Bert Brooks
J. R. Mozingo	Sentinel	Larry Mixon



activities . . .



SEPTEMBER 1

School Opens

Welcome home, scholars

SEPTEMBER 2

Organizations Assembly

Choose several Awards worth while

SEPTEMBER 2

Sportsmanship Banquet

Entertainment and refreshments

SEPTEMBER 3

Sportsmanship Assembly

Entertainment and refreshments

SEPTEMBER 23

Football at Taft

This game is best left to the boys

SEPTEMBER 27

B-G vs. and G-G State Assembly

A well deserved honor is bestowed

SEPTEMBER 30

Win Over Debut

Humble victory

OCTOBER 7

Wasco vs. Arvin

staunch defeat

OCTOBER 21

Latin Slaves Auctioned

Monetary to Sautema

OCTOBER 22

Grid Ho'ds Wasco and Sema

Sweet anticipation is rewarded

OCTOBER 28

Orange and Black Day

Persuasive personalities blemish

NOVEMBER 3

Bonfire Rally

WOW Did that Generalizz

NOVEMBER 4

Exchange Assembly

Wasco Wins Some Tonight's prize

popular in the city to the south

NOVEMBER 4

Wasco Snafers Clash

At least they did not win

NOVEMBER 10

Corcoran Game

lost not Wasco's day

NOVEMBER 17

C. S. F. Teaching Day

Now we know how the teacher feels

NOVEMBER 25

Bond to Living Better

Prizes and refreshments

DECEMBER 2

Senior Play

The Show will run

DECEMBER 7

Election of Song and Yearbook

mark the time

DECEMBER 9

F. F. A. Initiation

Refreshments on class

DECEMBER 11

Basketball Tournament

The Morning Post Daily grew to

DECEMBER 15

Basketball With Taft

This school seems to have the edge

DECEMBER 22

Christmas Assembly

Give to God in the Highest

JANUARY 12

Table Tennis Champs Introduced

But you know us proud

JANUARY 17

Student Body Election

We chose the wisest

JANUARY 25

Tiger Rag Assembly

Bond Issue Expounded

JANUARY 27

Sema vs. Wasco

'We've got a TEAM'

FEBRUARY 3

Garcas Trounced

A mad rush for points

FEBRUARY 10

Wasco Travels to Exeter

The game must have tired our

FEBRUARY 11

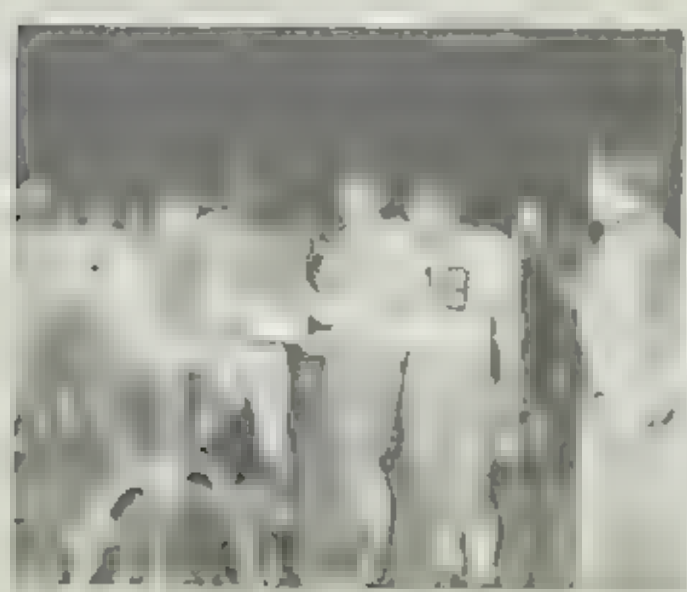
Wasco and Snafers Tangle

Our baskets collected the most

FEBRUARY 18

Snowball

Some 'Fantasy'—wasn't it beautiful?



FEBRUARY 19

Music Festival

Lots of fun, lots of notes

FEBRUARY 22

Washington, Lincoln Assembly

A fitting tribute to America's two great defenders

MARCH 3

Taft Invades for Baseball

And returns home disillusioned

MARCH 5

Inter-Class Track Meet

Seniority ruled as usual

MARCH 7

Split-Dual Track Meet With Shafter

'We ran off and left them.'

MARCH 17

Triangular Meet With Shafter and Corcoran

B broad jump record broken—21'

MARCH 24

Wasco Relay Carnival

Three mile relay team set new record—14:45.1

MARCH 31

Fresno Relay Carnival

Victorious four mile relay team
9:57.2

APRIL 5

Teachers' Club Fetes T.N.T.

A most worthwhile occupation is honored

APRIL 6

Eighth Grade Visiting Day

Now you know what you looked like

APRIL 14

Twirp Twir

"Were the boys happy"

APRIL 20

Baseball With Garces

Victory was ours—8 to 4

APRIL 2

Kern Relays

His capture Small Schools Trophy

APRIL 27

Corcoran Invades for Baseball

And is defeated 5 to 3

APRIL 30

Spring Concert

Music that enchants the heart

MAY 4

Soanish Banquet

Cum gratias agimus tibi

MAY 4

Baseball With Exeter

Wasco victors—3 to 1

MAY 5

South Sequoia League Meet

A scene of record breaking athletes.

MAY 5

Baseball With Shafter

A 7 to 5 victory for Wasco

MAY 12

West Coast Relays

An ideal stage for the athlete's performance

MAY 12

Aquacade

Neptune's beauties turned loose

MAY 17

Senior Ditch Day

Ditching even under supervision is fun

MAY 18

Baseball Divisional Playoff

Wasco lived up to its name once more

MAY 19

Sequoia Divisional Meet

Wasco High was well represented by her third ad.

MAY 19

Junior Senior Banquet

The time honored custom of the Juniors hosting the Seniors

MAY 20

Bacca aureate

'We never walk alone

MAY 22

Senior Breakfast

The last gathering before donning our caps and gowns

MAY 22

Senior Assembly

Our last performance at Wasco High

MAY 25

Graduation

This marks not the end, but the beginning

MAY 26

Central Section Track Meet

Good luck!

JUNE 3

State Meet

May you succeed in this high honor!



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1956



William Bain and Mary Lungs
repose as guests by the
reception committee.



Clara Bain and Don Merz
patiently await the begin-
ning of the evening's
festivities.



The first dance



The first dance of the
evening, the first of the
evening's



Aubrey Piper disgusts Clara and Mr. G. with his showing off

"the show-off"





Devoted Amy looks on while Aubrey glances at the financial page.

Throughout this eventful three-act comedy, Aubrey Piper, the show-off, was the source of constant anxiety. Amy Fisher, shutting her eyes to Aubrey's short comings and ignoring the warnings of her harassed family married Aubrey. Ma, under the guise of a sarcastic nature, suffered greatly as a result of her daughter's unwise choice in matrimony.

After his marriage to Amy, Aubrey involved the entire Fisher family in many awkward situations. His adventure with a borrowed car cost the mother-in-law a small fortune. However, it seemed that Ma wasn't the only member of the Fisher family who could not bear the show-off. Joe, Amy's brother; Clara, Amy's sister; and Pa Fisher, all had a cross to bear because of him.

The climax of the evening's entertainment came when Aubrey, for once in his life, did something for someone else. He proved to be the deciding factor in the sale of one of Joe's numerous inventions—one that happily turned out to be worth several hundred thousand dollars.

A "Show-off" to the end, Aubrey boasted of his achievement, and the audience was, once more, in complete sympathy with the Fisher family as the curtain descended on the final act.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Clara Hyland	Ann Hively
Ma Fisher	Diane Trew
Amy Fisher	Elaine Whitworth
Frank Hyland	Gary Longonecker
Pa Fisher	Ronnie Mathis
Joe Fisher	Carl Duerksen
Aubrey Piper	James Wasson
Mr. Gill	Bobby Cherry
Mrs. Ridgers	Carolyn Crowder

Director Mendenhall





Nancy Fries in the room and Larry, Jr. in the background, in 1940.

"and came the spring"





As Midge hovers in the background, Mr. and Mrs. Hartman are served breakfast by Edna, the maid

"And Came The Spring" concerned the week of spring vacation in the life of Midge Hartman, a typical teenage bopster.

When spring suddenly burst forth, Midge's whole life, and that of her family, was turned topsy turvy as Midge decided to "help arrange things." Within a few days, complete chaos reigned.

Up till curtain time, Midge was supposed to have led a life typical of the young tom boy. With the coming of spring, the "Tomboy" was suddenly smitten by her first love. Unfortunately, the object of her affections was completely devoted to Virginia, Midge's older sister. Moreover, he simply wasn't her type.

Midge, with her flash camera, caught many candid shots, of family and friends. She surmised that blackmail was a profitable business, so her camera was busy throughout the play, snapping away whenever she caught an acquaintance at an awkward moment.

Virginia entertained a glamorous house guest from New York City, who proved to be a threat to the romance. Of course, Midge interfered here, too, causing many tears.

Just as practically the whole town was on the brink of disaster due to Midge's meddlings she, in her funny, naive way, set everything straight.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Mr. Hartman	LeRoy Bolzer
Elliott Hartman	Larry McCombs
Buzz Lindsay	Tipton Holloway
Keith Nolan	Ken Livey
Freddie North	Ronnie Steward
Mr. Fields	Dennis Smith
Alan Fields	Kenneth Anderson
Cloncy	Larry Pace
Messenger Boy	Bobby Laughlin
Mrs. Hartman	Carolyn Lane
Midge Hartman	Friday—Mareia Wagner Saturday—Nancy Frey
Virginia Hartman	Friday—Phyllis Unruh Saturday—Helena Loewen
Carolyn Webster	Friday—Linda Schmidt Saturday—Wilma Cornelius
Gabby Allen	Friday—Mary Miller Saturday—Noreen Sunderland
Edna	Sharon May
Mrs. Fields	Irma Prado
Christine Myers	Barbara Neufeld

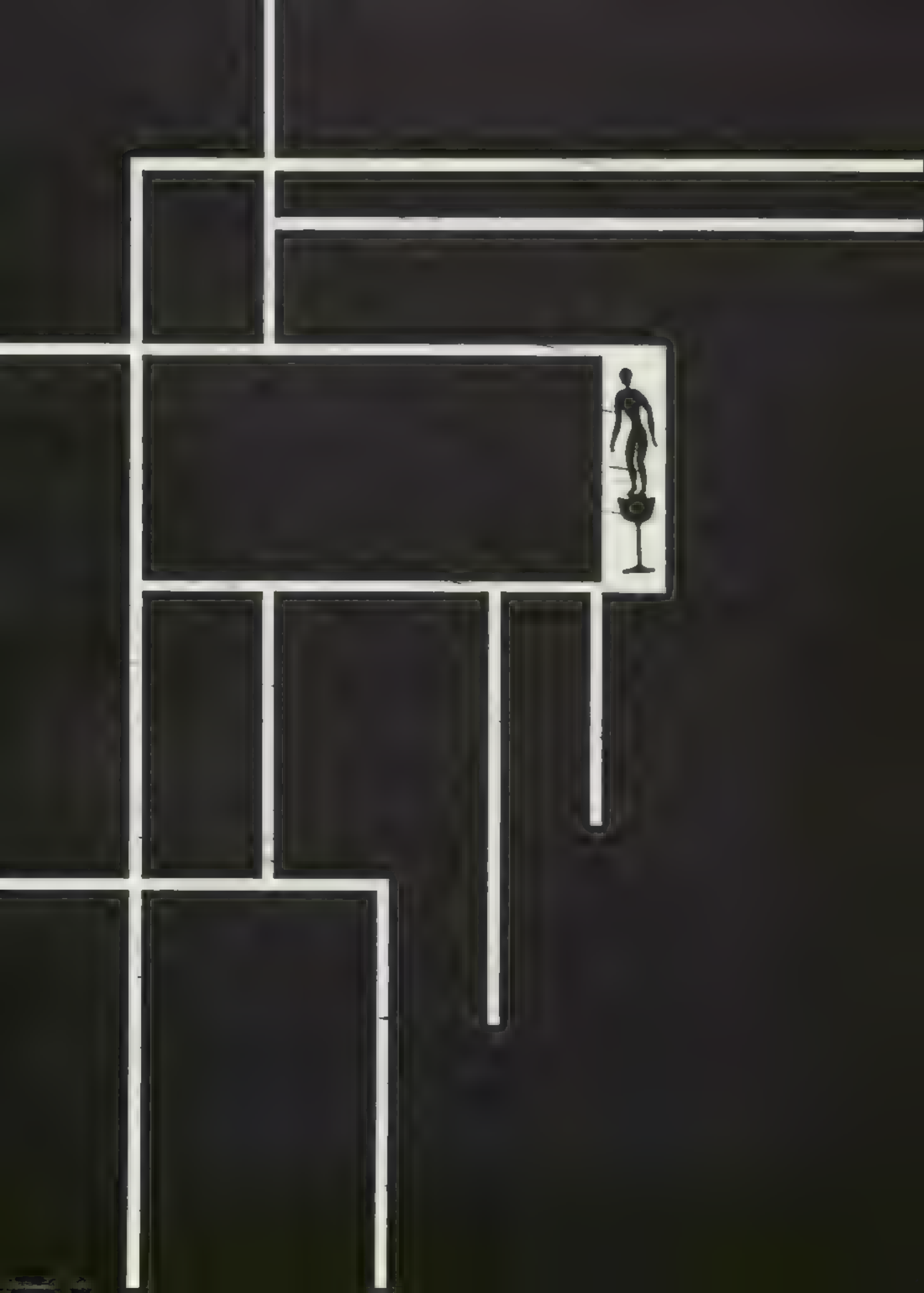
STAGE CREW

Director	Lawrence Mendenhall
Production Manager	Dan Merz
Publicity	Larry Pace
Prompting	Jerry Wankum, Jerrol Hilblom

Prompters in action



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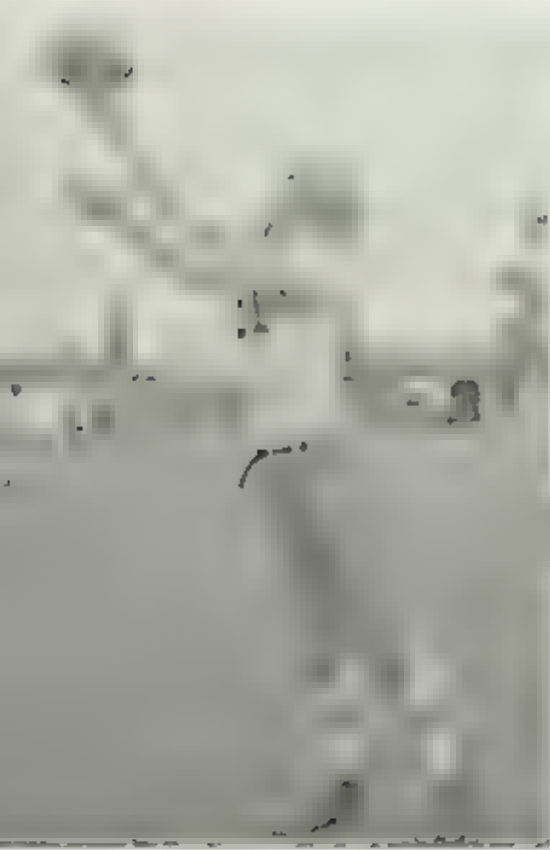




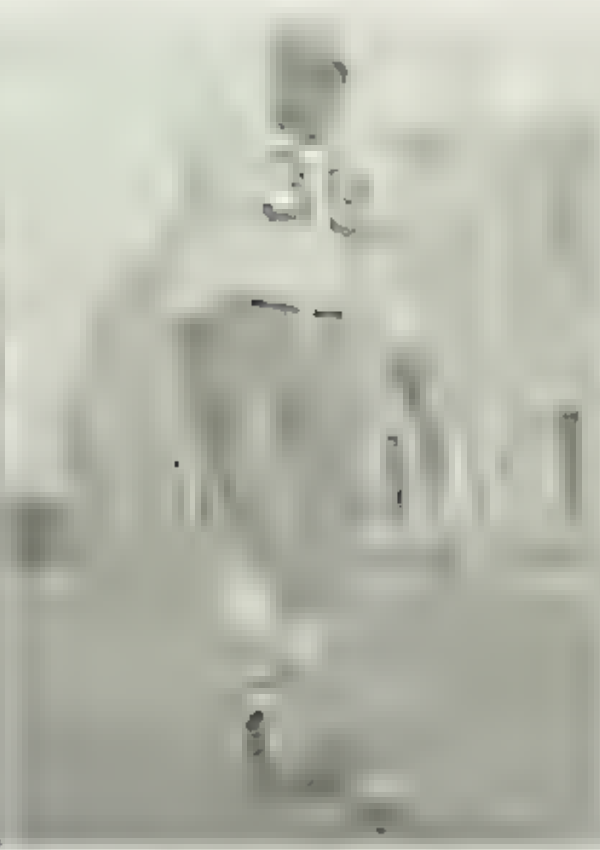
Yell Leaders: Martha Stinnett, Jeanneta Marks, and Gene Hogan
Song Leaders: Therese Miller, Janet Hadlock, and Jo Ella Tiger

football

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JACK COWAN, End



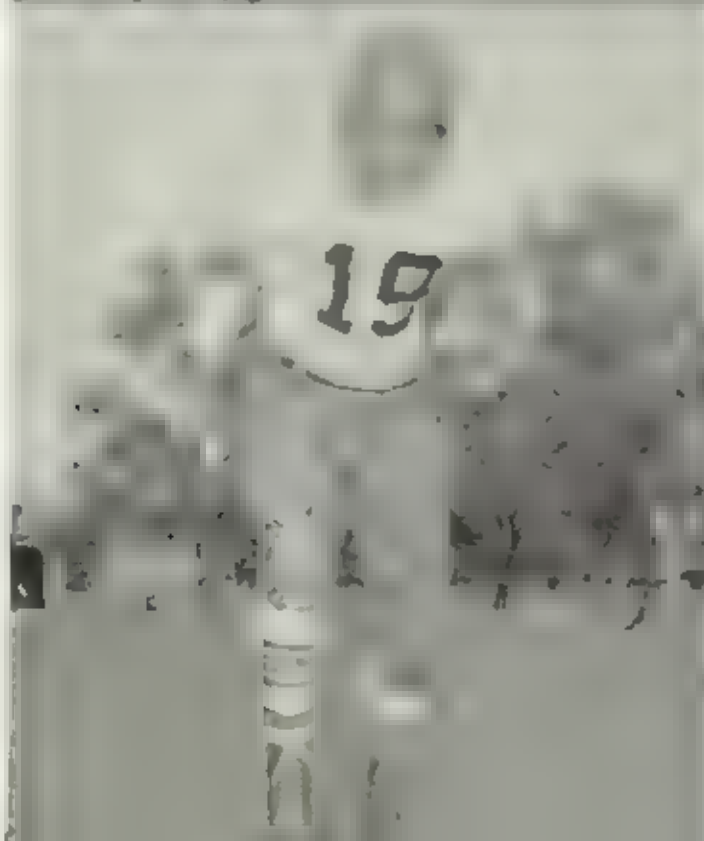
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JIM NAPIER, Quarterback



JIM BOYETT Halfback
ADOLPHO PENALBER, Guard



RAY PAYNE Halfback
LARRY MIXON Guard



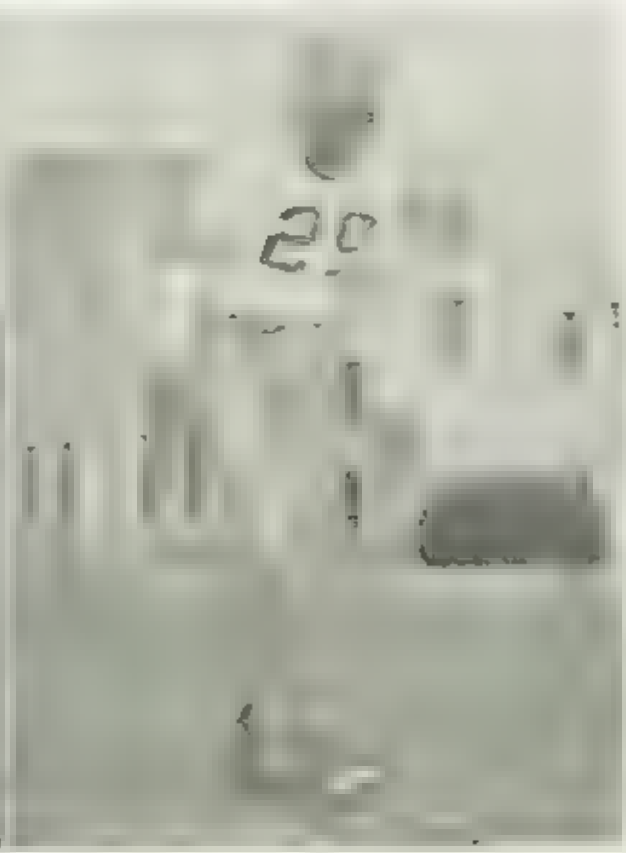
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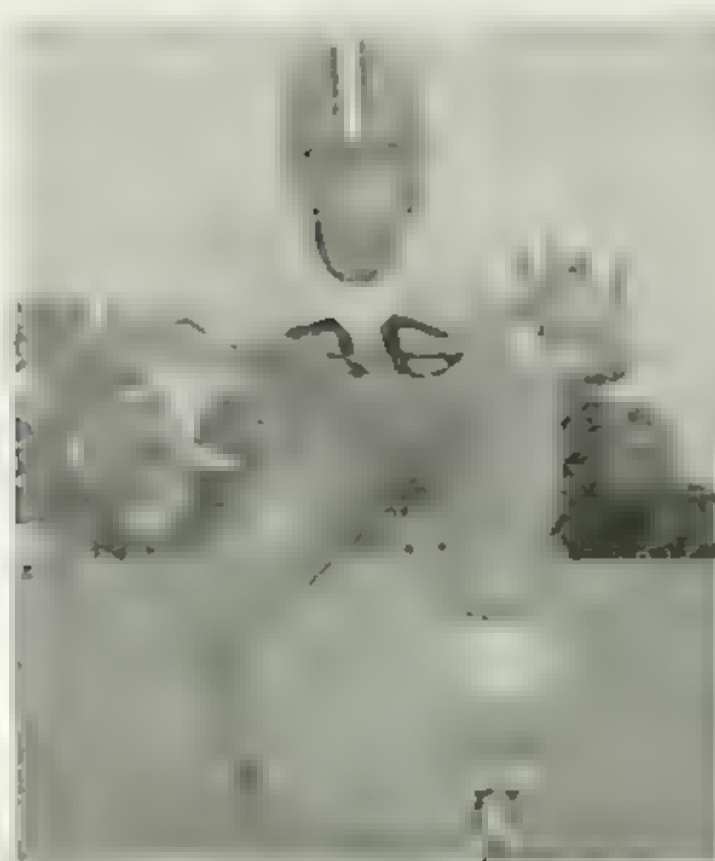
BERT BROOKS, Full back



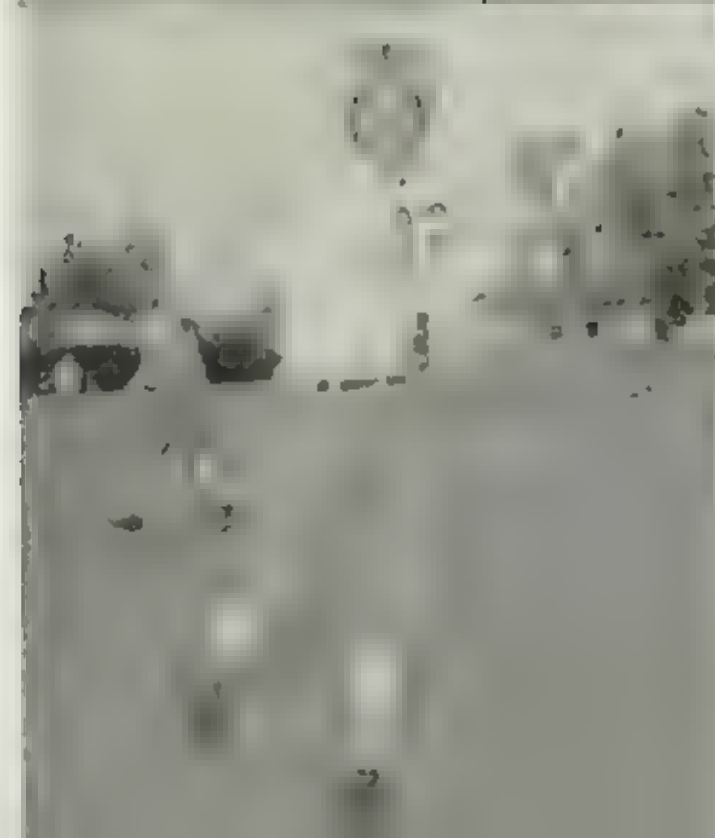
ELWOOD ENNS, End



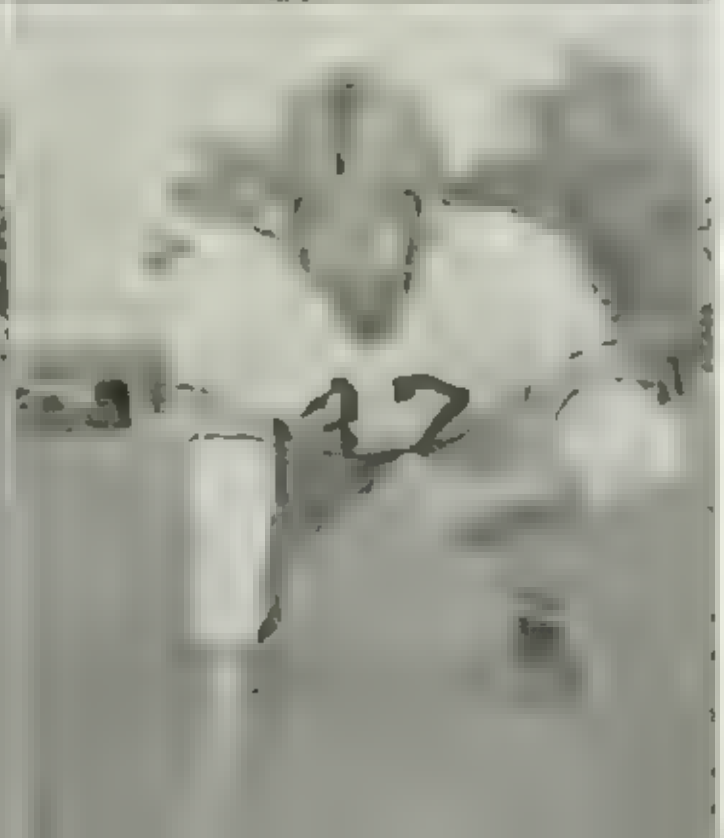
MAURICE BANKS, Tackle and Center



LEROY BALZER, Tackle
JAY MOZINGO Center



GORDON BERGTHOLD, End
WAYNE WOODARD Tackle





GALE McGEHEE Guard
ARTHUR BORON Tackle



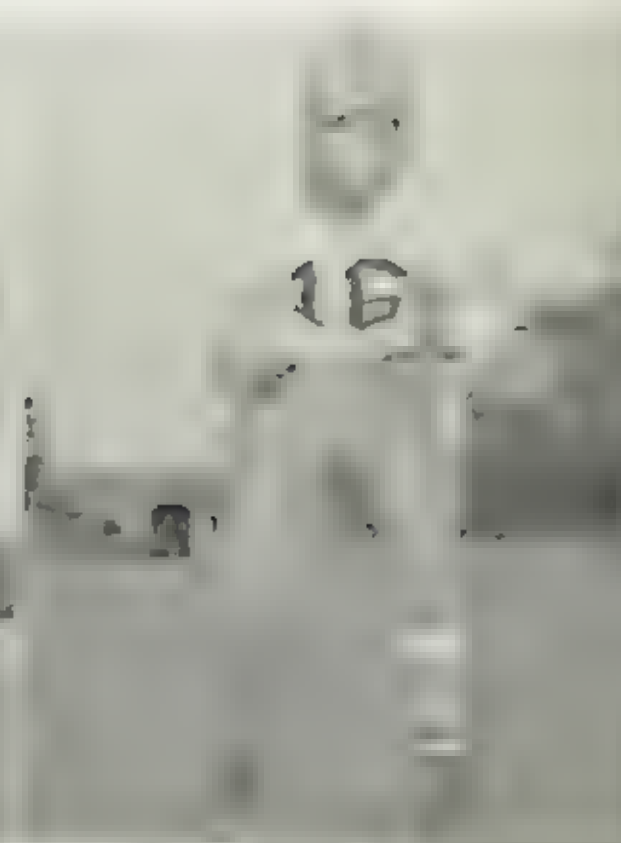
MARVIN GRAVES Guard
JOHN FRANKLIN Tackle



REYES GARCIA, Fullback

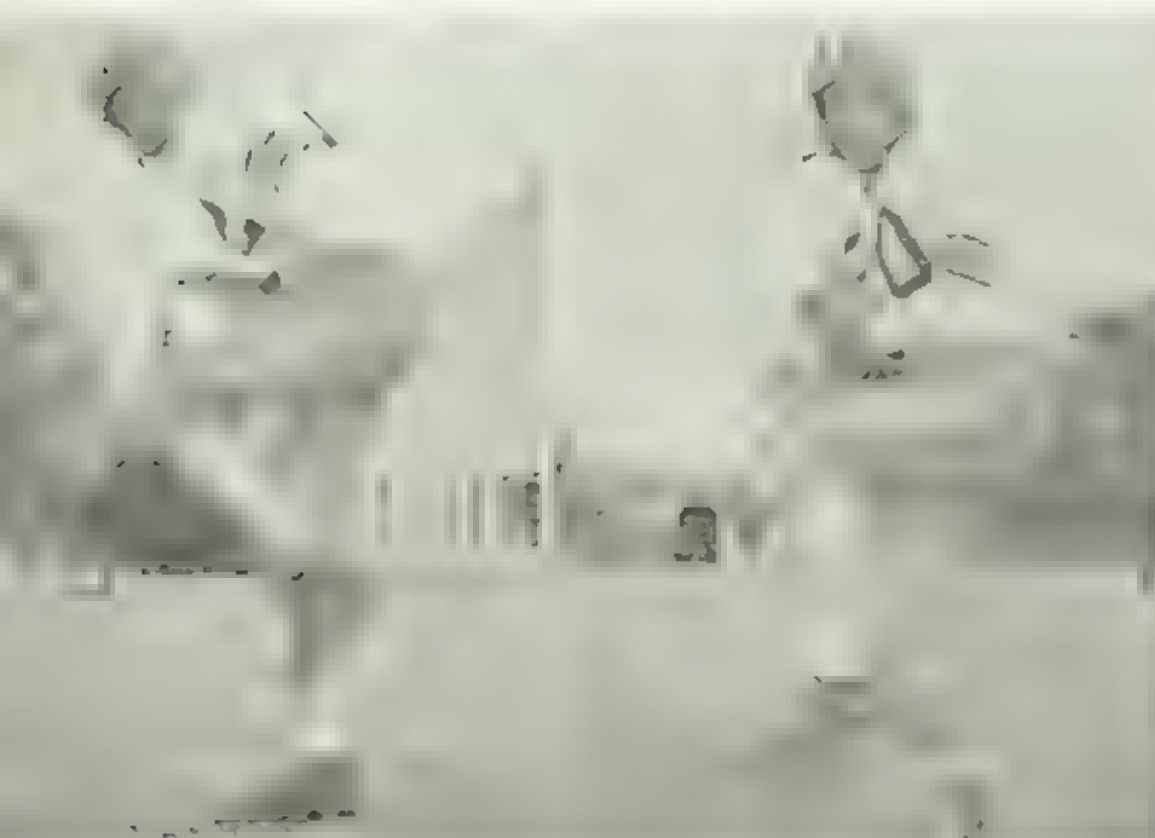


LARRY FRANTZ, Halfback



TED GILL, Halfback

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VERNON McGUIRE, Halfback



D. L. STOCKTON, Halfback

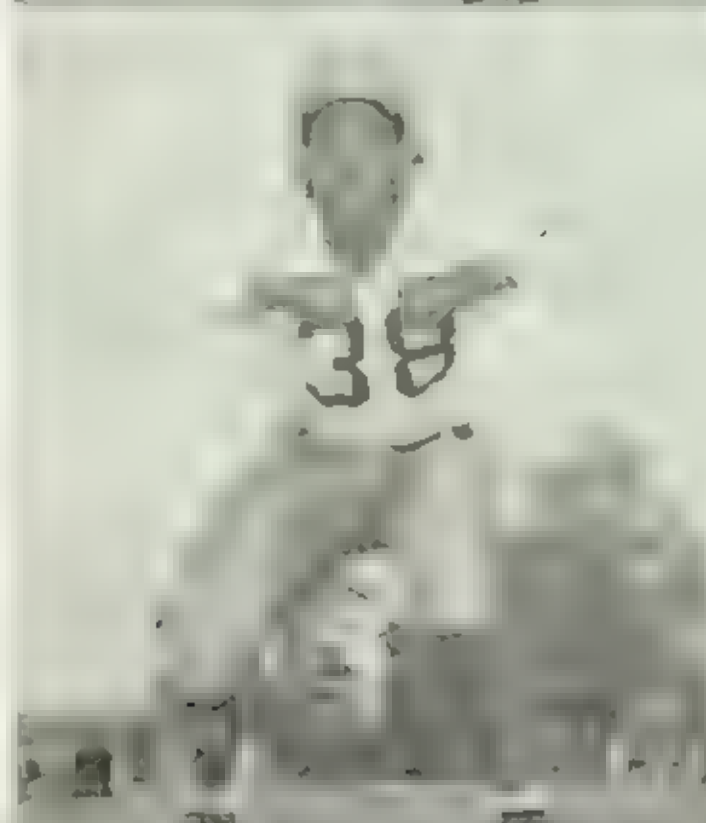


CHARLES HAMMER, Quarterback



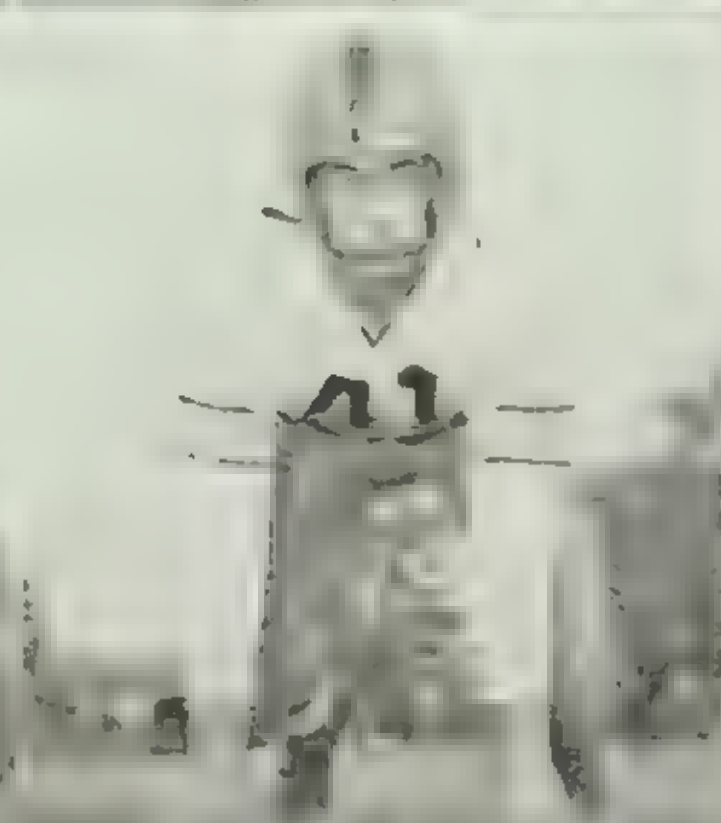
DOLG BOLDER, End

JOE BLANTON, Quarterback



WILBUR PARKER, Guard

KENNETH SETTLEMIRE, Guard





COACH GEORGE TERRY

COACH JACK BURTNER

Despite a small turnout for the squad and many inexperienced boys, the Tigers captured third place in the South Sequoia League this season. In nine games, only 102 points were scored against Wasco, while the Tigers rolled up 120. The local gridders' season record was five wins, three losses, and one tie, not quite enough to allow Wasco to bring home its fourth consecutive league crown.

Outstanding game of the 1955 season was with the southern rivals, the Shafter Generals. After fighting the locals to a thrilling 7-7 tie, the Generals went on to win the Valley crown from Sanger.

The Tiger gridders chose Ray Payne and Larry Mixon their co-captains. In addition, Payne was selected most valuable player and received the annual Tiger-of-the Year award.

This season Coach Terry's squad had one of the lightest lines in the valley, averaging about 160 pounds. The local's forward wall was composed of Leroy Balzer, Ike Davis, and Wayne Woodward, tacklers; Larry Mixon, Gale McGehee, and Adolpho Penolber, guards; Jack Cowan, Gordon Berghold, and Herman Henderson, wingmen; and Jay Moxingo handling center chores.

The backfield was made up of Jim Napier, signal caller; Jim Boyett, Ray Payne, and Larry Frantz, scatbacks; Bert Brooks, and Reyes Garcia, fullbacks.

Ted Gill, Maurice Banks, and Elwood Enns formed the backbone of the Tiger defense.

VARSITY FOOTBALL SCORES

Taft	20	Wasco	12
Delano	6	Wasco	12
Arvin	24	Wasco	12
Lindsay	12	Wasco	26
Selma	0	Wasco	7
*Shafter	7	Wasco	7
*Garces	6	Wasco	19
*Corcoran	20	Wasco	0
*Exeter	7	Wasco	25

*League Games



COACH ASHBY



COACH DARBY

The Cubs, with the majority of their members freshmen, were able to win only one game during the '55 season. However, Coaches Ashby and Darby, as well as their players, have no reason to be distressed, as many fine football players were molded this year and should go on to prove themselves on the varsity.

The Cubs' lone victory came in league play when they defeated the Garces Romblers by the runaway score of 32-7. Two of the Cubs' losses came early in the season as they were ripped by a lone point by Arvin and Lindsay in two straight outings.

Standing out in the backfield this year for the Cubs were Wayne Eskew and Gil Garland at quarterback; Leon Snow, Bob Boydston and Roger Harrison at halfback; with Craig Winn and Norman Oliver in the fullback slot.

Turning in excellent line performances were David Reed and Mike Gilmer at ends; Gary Robinson and Earl Hall at tackles; Dan Dunlap and Bob Gallardo at guards; and Larry Pace and Bobby Pergson at center.

Co-captains for the Cubs were Dunlap and Snow.

SCORES

Wasco	18	Taft	0
Wasco	0	Delano	26
Wasco	12	Arvin	13
Wasco	6	Lindsay	7
Wasco	7	Selma	27
Wasco	32	Garces	7
Wasco	19	Shafter	33
Wasco	0	Corcoran	37
Wasco	7	Exeter	18



Song Leaders: Barbara Menees, Ann Hively, and Sue Hively. Ye Leaders: Evelyn Pugh, Claudene Moreland, and Marilynne Clemens.

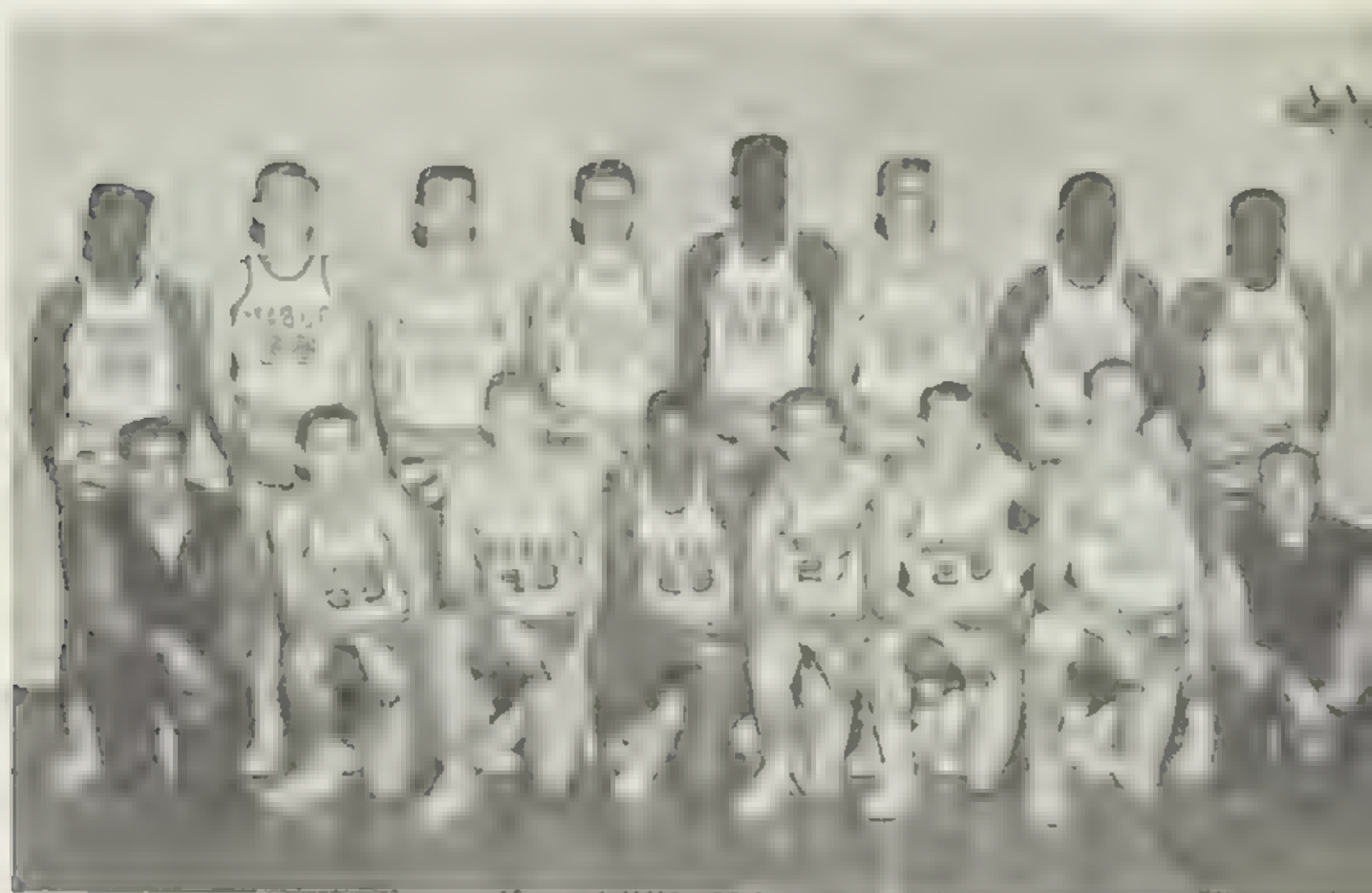
basketball

IMAGES FROM THE PAST



This photo was taken in 1955 at the Wasco High Gymnasium of the Wasco Cubs Valley Champ basketball team. They were undefeated that year. Pictured clockwise, front right. Coach Andy Darby, Gerald Howard, Jimmy Heard, Jim Boyett, Larry Frantz and Jim Eskew.

valley champions



Back Row: B. James, R. Aronson, G. Howard, J. Brooks, M. Ellis, C. Moore, M. Banks
Front Row: A. Barjon, L. Douglas, C. Hammer, W. Cole, J. Eskew, G. Hogan, L. Frantz
E. Cloyton

Sweeping over some of the toughest opposition in Tiger history, the Wasco basketball team captured the Southern Sequoia Valley Championship for the second straight year. One of the best teams ever to wear the Orange and Black, the cagers' height and experience gave them the edge over their opponents. The Tigers rolled over all opposition in their league, losing only to the Exeter Monarchs and the rival Generals in contests decided by margins of less than five points. In the Valley finals at Dinuba, the locals had no trouble in holding down the lanky Emperors to take the Valley crown.

SCORES

* Bakersfield	23	Wasco	21
* Corcoran	16	Wasco	31
Shafter	26	Wasco	23
Taft	60	Wasco	44
Bakersfield	56	Wasco	36
Taft	52	Wasco	48
Arroyo Grande	39	Wasco	43
San Luis Obispo	40	Wasco	69
* Garces	46	Wasco	58
Bakersfield	57	Wasco	47
* Exeter	43	Wasco	51
East Bakersfield	50	Wasco	41
* Corcoran	44	Wasco	68
* Shafter	42	Wasco	40
Selma	44	Wasco	66
North High	47	Wasco	52
* Garces	39	Wasco	60
* Exeter	67	Wasco	62
* Shafter	40	Wasco	58
Selma	58	Wasco	62
* Corcoran	38	Wasco	53
** Dinuba	47	Wasco	59

- * League Games
- ** Lions Club Tournament
- *** Valley Championship



Coach Jack Burtner

wasco cubs



Row 2: R. Whitfield, H. Cole, R. Messick, D. Miller, E. Hall, R. Harrison, K. Thomas, D. Holton
Row 1: N. Oliver, C. Bergman, M. Velvick, G. Robinson, R. Woods, D. Patrick

The Cubs enjoyed only moderate success during the '55-'56 campaign, managing to win five games while losing eleven. Coach Darby, who lost almost all of his championship team of the previous year, had only one returning letterman and a squad member around which to build this year's team. Fortunately, three of the Cubs' wins happened to come in league play to secure third place for them in the final standings.

Leading scorer for the Cubs was 6', 1½" sophomore center, Melvin Velvick, who averaged close to ten points. Speedy guard Harry Cole followed Velvick in the scorer's parade as his average was just a shade under ten. Guard Kenny Thomas and forward Norman Oliver rounded out the first five. Don Miller proved to be an able replacement as he alternated with Oliver a good deal of the time.

The highlight of the Cub's season was their surprise 40-31 victory over the then undefeated North High Comets. The Cubs also had a nip and tuck affair against Corcoran before they came out on the long end of a 51-49 count.



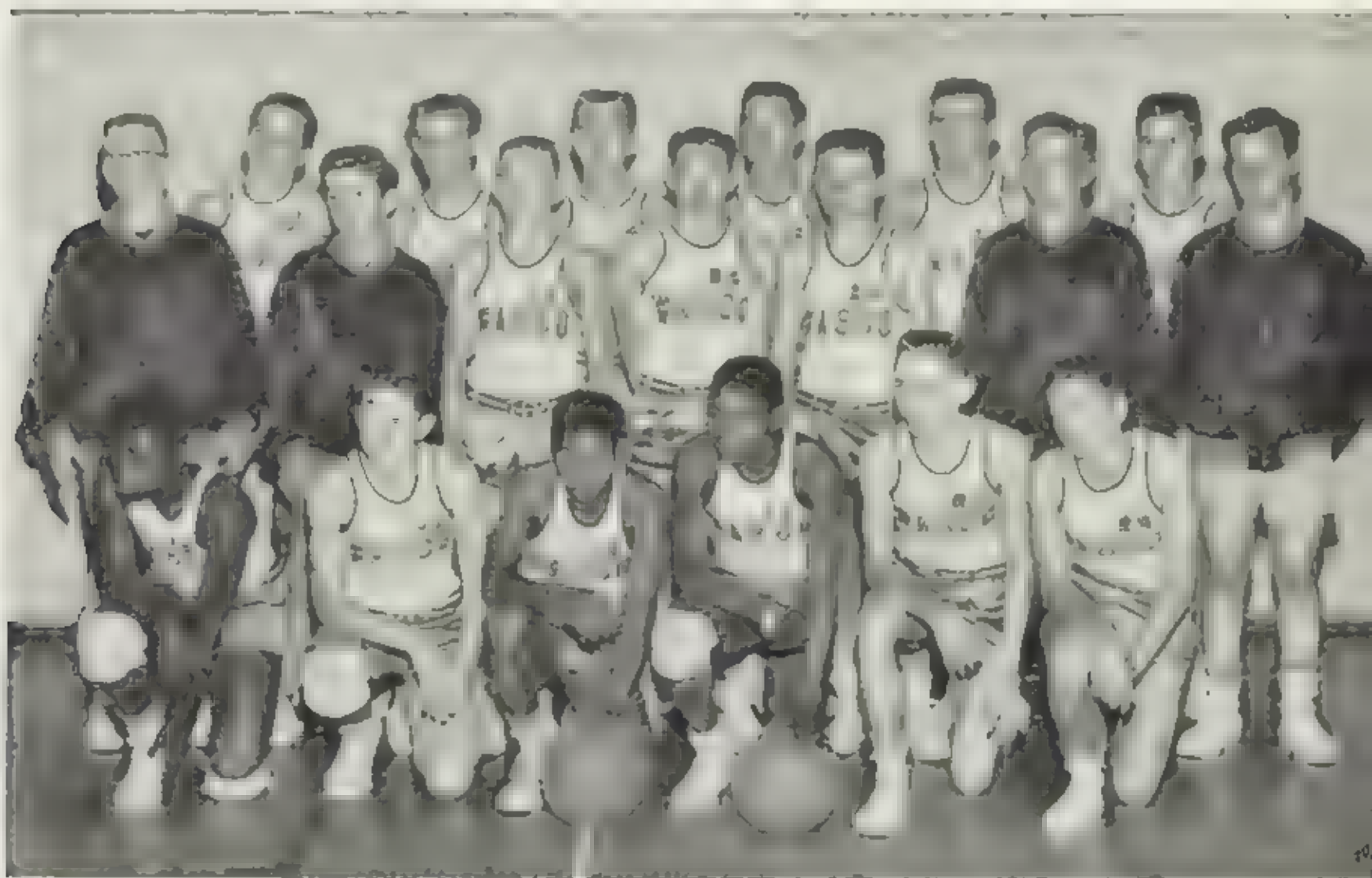
Coach Darby

SCORES

Wasco	35	Taft	41
Wasco	29	Bakersfield	51
Wasco	27	Taft	39
*Wasco	40	Garces	27
Wasco	32	Bakersfield	34
*Wasco	42	Exeter	52
Wasco	34	East Bakersfield	56
*Wasco	28	Shafter	41
*Wasco	51	Corcoran	49
Wasco	36	Selma	48
Wasco	40	North High	31
*Wasco	63	Garces	26
*Wasco	28	Exeter	54
*Wasco	30	Shafter	36
*Wasco	23	Corcoran	30
*Wasco	49	Selma	29

* Denotes League games

wasco kittens



Row 3: W. Eskew, G. Garland, K. Gaede, M. Baggs, A. Gentry, B. Barker, Row 2: B. Crowder, G. Eskew, H. Frantz, L. Snow, L. Park, R. Berendsen, E. Summers. Row 1: C. Pickett, T. McCleod, D. Cole, D. Reed, H. Thomas, H. Stinnett

Led by three returning lettermen, the 1956 edition of Wasco High's C class basketball team started the season strongly, winning their first seven games before being up-ended by the Shafter Bucks.

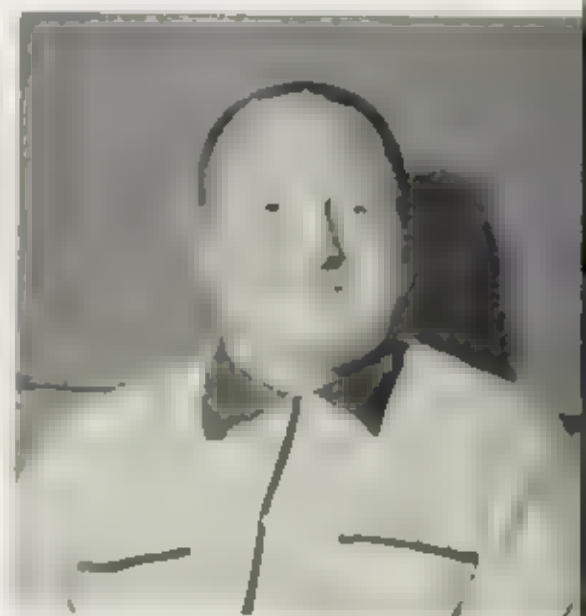
Coach Ashby's Kittens had an unusually tall team for the lightweight division and a bumper crop of boys with basketball experience. But the main reason for the success of the lighties was because they had the greatest reserve squad in recent Kitten history, giving terrific depth for Coach Ashby to call upon. With Monte Baggs, Charles Pickett, Wayne Eskew, Dave Reed, Gilbert Garland, Kenny Gaede, Howard Thomas, Arnold Gentry and Tom McCleod carrying the bulk of the load, the Kittens finished the season with an outstanding 10-4 record.

A large number of those cagers will be back to form the backbone of next year's Cubs and Tigers.

SCORES

Wasco	18	Toft	13
Wasco	37	Bakersfield	20
Wasco	26	Toft	23
*Wasco	32	Garces	23
Wasco	24	Bakersfield	23
*Wasco	35	Exeter	17
Wasco	42	East Bakersfield	41
*Wasco	14	Shafter	21
*Wasco	40	Corcoran	29
Wasco	35	North High	37
*Wasco	42	Garces	28
*Wasco	28	Exeter	19
*Wasco	17	Shafter	18
*Wasco	23	Corcoran	43

* Denotes League Games



Coach Ashby



LA VERN ROLIN, Forward



J. M. ESKEW Guard



CHARLES MOORE Guard



GERALD HOWARD Forward



CHARLES HAMMER Guard



LARRY FRANTZ Guard



GENE HOGAN Guard

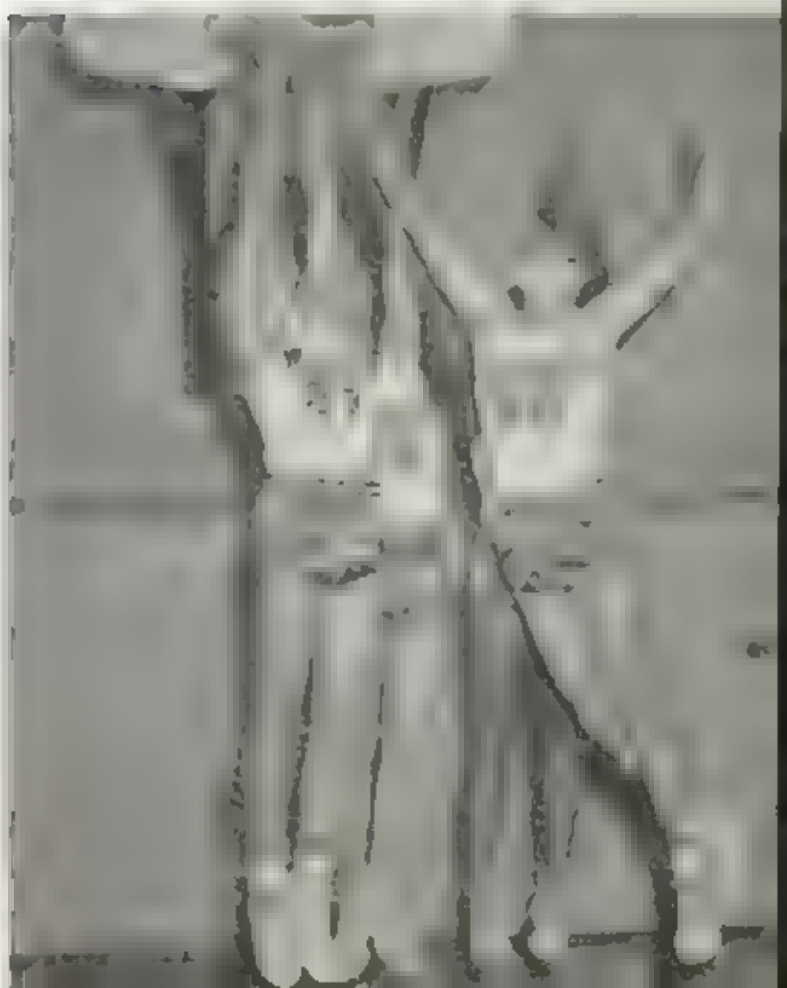


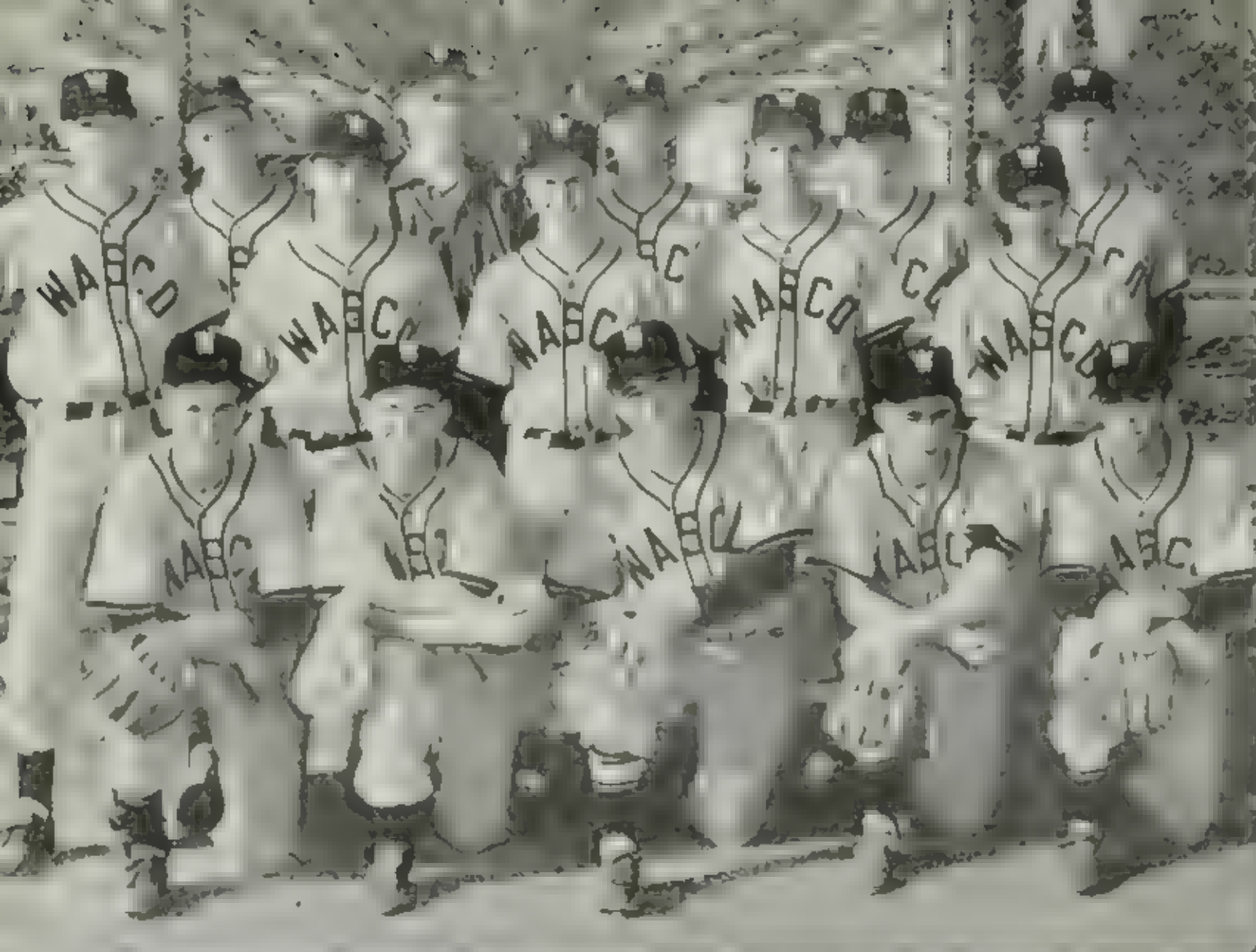
MAC ELLIS Center

LARRY DOUGLAS, JOHN BROOKS, BILLY JAMES
RICHARD ARONSON



MAURICE BANKS Forward
WILLIE COLE Guard





varsity baseball

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W... R... D... D... L... L...
L... R... G... C... N... G...
H... T... G...

The Was... Tigers continued their winning ways into the spring, showing great strength in baseball. The Tigers went through the South... League without a defeat to win the championship.

As the Was... went to press the Tigers were scheduled to meet the Northern winner for the Varsity honors.

Coach George Terry had a number of new additions to the '56 team and therefore should show considerable strength next season. Catcher Dan... pitcher Wayne... first baseman Norman Oliver and outfielders... Baggs, Leon Snow and Charles Hammer will be back to run the Tiger unit again next year.

Last year's graduates were back up Jim Hopper, runners George Bergin and Dan White, first sacker Jack Cowan and the versatile combination of Gene Hogan and Larry Frantz.

LEAGUE SCORES

Wasc		Garces	0
Wasc	1	Carrollan	0
Wasc	5	Exeter	0
Wasc	0	Shatter	4
Wasc	8	Garces	4
Wasc	5	Carrollan	3
Wasc	3	Exeter	1
Wasc	7	Shatter	5

... Hogan scores one out of the first.
The famous Tigers stop to pose.

... Rohn gives his men...





The Tigers are caught in action by the camera



Joe "slud" is untaged



Jim catches as the ball is pitched to Frantz



Steve Smith and Charles Duerksen

boys' tennis

Gary Longanecker and Frank Thiessen

As the Wasconian went to press, the boys' tennis team held third place in the Southern Yosemite League, with a season record of four wins and two losses, and one match remaining. Frank Thiessen reached the league finals in singles, but was defeated by Carlson of East Bakersfield. Wasco's doubles team, Ronnie Mathis and Gary Longanecker, were defeated in the quarter finals by Bellamy and Rapp of Bakersfield, who went on to capture the Valley Championship. Mr. Habson served as tennis coach.

SCORES

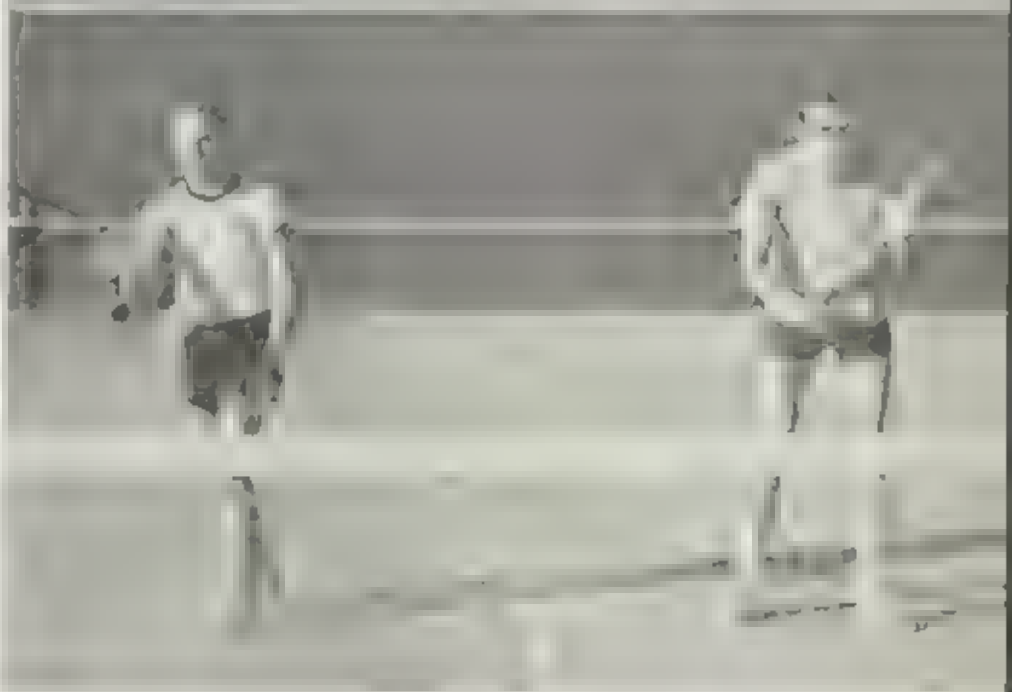
Wasco	2	Bakersfield	3
Wasco	3	Shafter	2
Wasco	5	Arvin	0
Wasco	2	North High	3
Wasco	4	Taft	1
Wasco	4	Delano	1

Carl Duerksen and Jimmie Wasson

Ronnie Steward and Tipton Holloway



Ronnie Mathis and Leroy Balzer





Heavyweight: Enos, Blount, Eskew and Davis



Sprinter: Allen Guere

1956 track team

High jumper: Melvin

Distant runner: Melvin





D Cole, M. Ellis, C. Moore, R. Harrison, M. Banks, W. Parker, D. Chaney, B. James, I. Davis
 V McGuire. Row 4: R. Whitfield, J. Wright, E. Summers, C. Willard, R. Wolfe, B. Barker,
 R. Garcia, A. Penalber, L. Morales, J. Eskew. Row 3: G. Garland, T. Floyd, C. Bergman,
 E. Hall, G. Robinson, J. Hutchins, L. White, K. Thomas, B. Boydston, W. Eskew. Row 2:
 R. Gibson, D. Crawford, B. Cherry, D. Freeman, J. Nevarov, R. Layne, E. Enns, G. Green,
 S. Smith, B. Moore. Row 1: D. Reed, C. Pickett, D. Floyd, B. Young, A. Goede, R. Woods,
 J. Boyett, H. Cole, W. Parker, M. Roulier, E. Borjon



High Jumper Maurice Banks

Weight Man 1-11



Sprinter Jim Boyett

Distance Man Jim Eskew

track

The Tiger track team, under Coaches Andy Darby and Marvin Ashby, captured the South Sequoia League Championship in the B division, sweeping over their nearest opponents, the Shafter Generals, with no trouble. In the A and C divisions they finished second to the mighty Corcoran Panthers.

The 1956 track season opened with the annual interclass track meet, and the Seniors barely squeaked past the Sophomores by 118 to 116½ to take the classic.

The Tigers met their first competition in a split-dual meet with Shafter, and were edged from the A division, but easily took the B and C divisions. The Generals captured the heavyweight class 60-52, but the Wasco thinclads captured the middleweights 58-46 and the lightweights 65-21. The C's won every event but the low hurdles.

Next, in a triangular meet with Corcoran and Shafter, the tracksters finished third in the A's and second in the B and C classes. Scores were: A Class, C 54½, S 45½, W 40, B Class, S 62½, W 50½, C 16, C Class, C 50, W 49½, S 7½. Kenny Thomas leaped to a new school broad jump record in the B Class of 21' 8".

Then came the Wasco Relay Carnival, and though the best the Dorbymen could manage was second place in the B division, fourth in the C's and fifth in the A's, the 3 mile relay team set a new relays record as Vernon McGuire, Mike Roulier, and Jim Eskew toured the twelve laps in 14:45.1 to soundly whip the old record of 15:10.0. Another relays record was set when the C high jump team tied the old record, by totaling 15' 6" with their three jumps. David Reed, Howard Thomas, and Charles Pickett were the members of the victorious squad.

Kenny Thomas and Bob Boydston led the B class as they captured the broad jump with Jim Nevarov, and took the 330 and 660 relays with Roger Harrison.

Then several of the Tiger Warriors traveled to Fresno for the annual Fresno Relays. Once again the distance relay team was victorious as Roulier, McGuire, Eskew, and Richard Aronson, a freshman, finished the four-mile relay in 19:57.2. The high jump team, composed of Mac Ellis, Charles Moore, Bob Moore, and Jim Eskew captured a second in their event, while the B 1½ mile relay team composed of David Reed, Wayne Eskew, Gilbert Garland, and Curtis Willard, turned in a time of 1:02.4 to take second place in their event.

Next the Tigers faced McFarland and Garces in a triangular meet, and swept every division. Scores were: A Class, W 53, M 28, G 24, B Class, W 54, G 25, M 21, C Class, W 68, G 14, M 3. Wayne Eskew set a new school record by speeding over the 120 low hurdles in 14.2 seconds, while his brother Jim Eskew set a new record in the B 160 low hurdles of 19.8 seconds.

The Tigers made one of their strongest showings of the season at the Kern Relays, where they captured the B division Small Schools trophy, and took second in the other classes.

In their last practice meet before the league meet, the Tigers were completely and soundly defeated by the Delano Tigers. Scores of 60-53, 84-20, and 70-16 marked Delano's margins in the three classes. However, Isaiah Davis sailed the disc to a new Wasco High record of 157' 4¼".

Then in the big meet of the year, the South Sequoia League Meet, Wasco took the B class, but settled for second in the other two divisions. Mac Ellis scored 6' 1" to set a new league, stadium, and school record in the high jump, while Vernon McGuire ran the mile in 4:38.5 setting new league and school records in that event. Elwood Enns tied the league, stadium and school records with his 15 second time in the 120 yard high hurdles, and Jim Nevarov set a new league mark in the B class 1320 of 3:33.9.

Jim Eskew captured the B class outstanding performance trophy by running the 880 in 2:05.2, while Gary Green heaved the shot 42' 7", and Bob Boydston broad jumped 20' 0", to capture their respective events in the B class. In the C class, David Reed high jumped 5' 4", and Wayne Eskew pole vaulted 9' 6" and ran the 120 high hurdles in 14.5 to add three more victories to the Tiger record.

As the Wasconian went to press, the Tigers were planning on sending several outstanding athletes to the West Coast Relays and were looking forward to several new records in the remaining meets. Thirty-two Tigers were to perform in the Divisional meet with those placing in the top three in each event going on to the Central Section Valley Finals where they were to compete with the top athletes from the Yosemite, Sierra, Shasta and Sequoia Leagues. Those placing first and second in each event in this meet were to go on to the State Finals. Coach Darby expected six boys to reach this meet: Mac Ellis, high jump; Jim Boyett, 440; Jim Eskew, 880; Vernon McGuire and Mike Roulier, mile, and Isaiah Davis, discus.

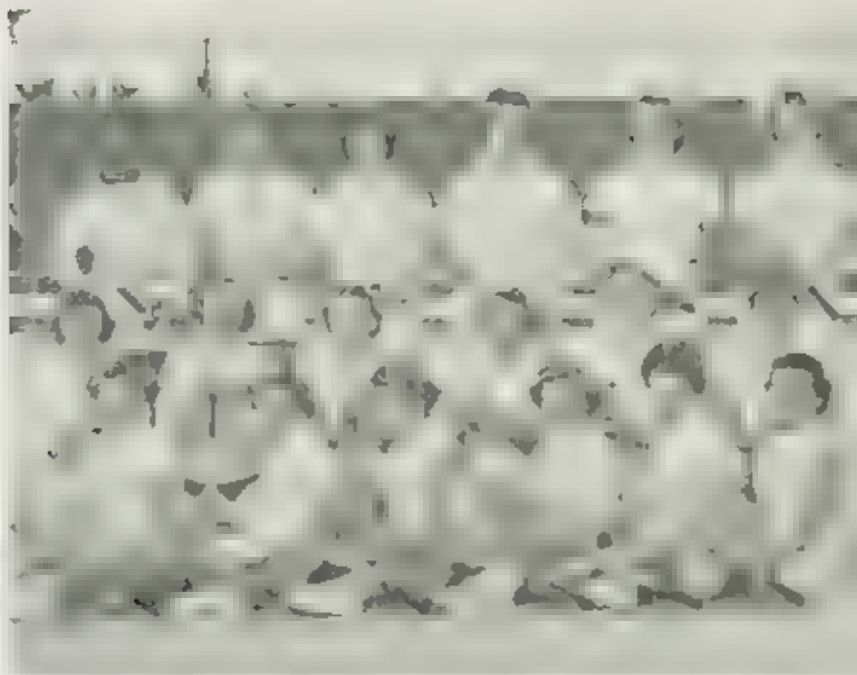
Although the Tigers will sorely miss such performers as Mac Ellis, Charles Moore, Jim Boyett, Isaiah Davis, and Vernon McGuire in the years to come, they will be counting on the many freshmen and sophomores who turned in outstanding performances in this year's meets.

racqueteters

SCORES SOUTHERN DIVISION YOSEMITE LEAGUE

*North High	2	Wasco	3
*Shafter	3	Wasco	2
Bakersfield	5	Wasco	0
Shafter	5	Wasco	0
Arvin	3	Wasco	2
North High	4	Wasco	1
Taft	4	Wasco	1
Delano	3	Wasco	2

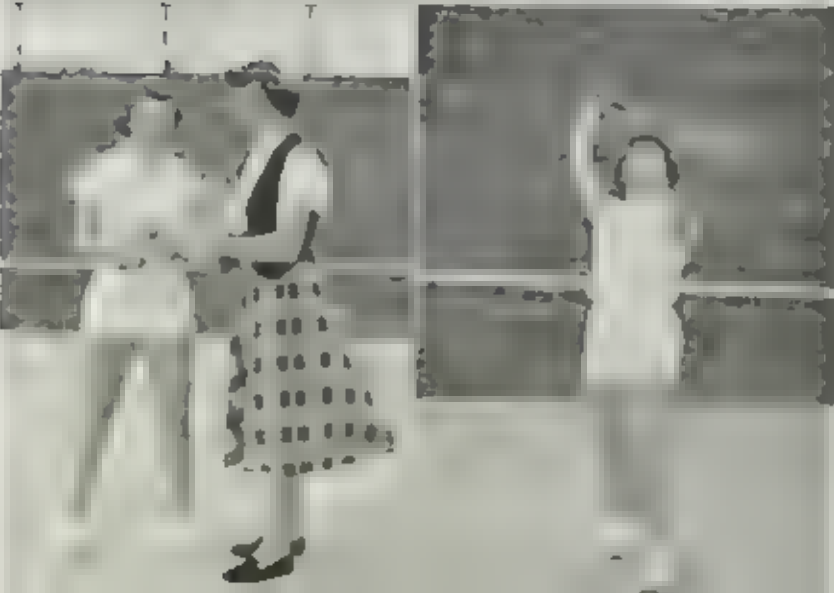
* denotes practice games



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Dawn Lambert and Judy Wilcox



Marilynne Clemens and Miss Brown

girls athletic associa

Standing
 L. V. AG. JEN. Treasurer
 R. H. ... Vice President
 VERA W. ... Athletic Mgr.
 ANN H. ... Secretary
 Seated
 Betty ...



Standing: C. G. ... Shackett, D. Lorenson, B. W. ... N. ... H. ... P.
 Seated: P. Shackett, Seated: ... M. ... Shackett, P. M. ... P. D. ... F. ...



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Standing VELVA WHITFIELD, President, BETTE WOOLLEY, Treasurer, BARBARA MENEES, Athletic Manager. Seated SUE HIVELY, Secretary. Unpictured THELMA CALL, Vice President.

Standing: M. Demery, L. Jacobsen, T. Call, B. Garrison, B. Harris, M. Threott, D. Loughlin, E. Harrison. Seated: V. Whitfield, E. Franks, D. McGeehee, B. Menees, A. Hively.





MISS MARY MILLS Advisor

The G.A.A. is maintained for sports-minded girls who wish to participate in sports outside of their physical education classes. The Club's purpose is to stimulate further interest in girls' athletics.

A point system is used in G.A.A. to score the girls for any letters they may earn. Points are given for attendance at the weekly meetings held on Tuesdays, for traveling to and participating in play days and sports days at other schools, and for being an officer in the club.

Under the supervision of club advisor Miss Mary Mills, the G.A.A.'s activities have been many and varied. To launch the amazons' year in a satisfactory manner, new members were put through their paces during the fall initiation.

Next on the calendar of activities was the Backwards Party, to which girls bring as boys, fast becoming a tradition at Wasco High. Remember all those elaborate and hilarious bouquets worn by the boys?

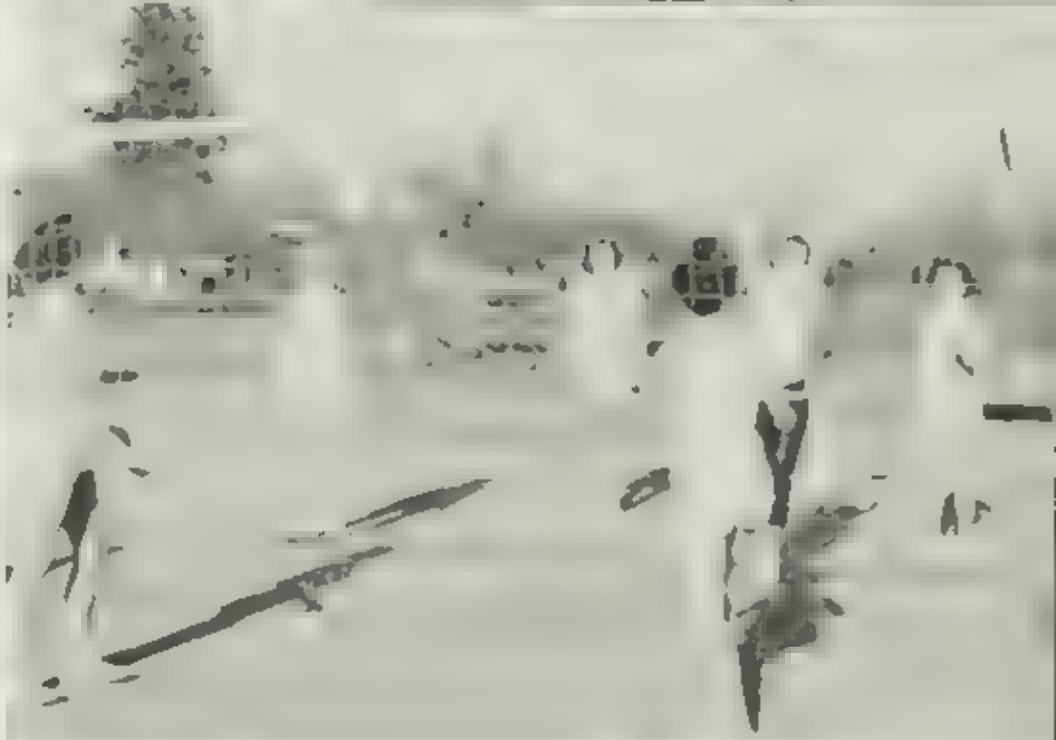
Also included during the year's activities was the Slumber Party held in the spring, at which the paloma clubs were provided with plenty of everything — except sleep.

The continued selling of soft drinks after school added pleasantly to the club funds.

Topping off a very successful year was the Mother Daughter Banquet, where letters were awarded the fathers, and the newly elected officers were installed for the following fall semester.



Example of some of the
new ports, piers, and A A
in the picture





RONNIE MATHIS, Secretary, JIM BOYETT, President, TED GILL, Vice President



JIM ESKEW, Sergeant-at-arms, LAVERN ROLIN Treasurer; JIM NAPIER Sergeant-at-arms.

The "W" Club is composed exclusively of boys who have been awarded a block "W" for participating in inter-scholastic athletic competition

During the course of the year, many activities were scheduled and carried out by the "W" Club, with excellent results. The first of these was selling refreshments at the annual Lion's Club Basketball Tournament

While the spring semester saw several "W" Club-sponsored parties, by far the most important highlight of the year was the initiation on February 13, at which approximately thirty newcomers were duly sent through the rigorous ordeals

Prexy for the year was Jim Boyett, assisted at meetings by Coaches Jack Burtner and George Terry

Charles Moore proudly surveys the trophies members of the "W" Club have helped to win



Row 4: D. Wise, L. Rolin, V. McGuire, C. Moore, H. Henderson. Row 3: L. Frantz, G. Bergthold, R. Mathis, J. Cowan, M. Ellis. Row 2: J. Mozingo, L. Mixon, R. Payne, R. Garcia, G. Longonecker. Row 1: A. Borjan, J. Eskew, J. Napier, G. Hogan, R. Loya, J. Reyes.



Row 4: R. Lane, C. Hammer, E. Hall. Row 3: D. Edison, E. Enns, W. Siemen, C. Winn, J. Napier. Row 2: J. Nevarov, A. Penalber, R. Woods, G. Robinson, C. Winn, K. Thomas, W. Cole. Row 1: G. Howard, J. Bovett, T. Gill, B. Brooks, D. Boulder, J. Baags.

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with honor . . .



BARBARA WEINS

magna cum laude

Each year Magna Cum Laude is awarded to two graduating seniors one boy and one girl, for their outstanding scholastic achievement during their four year career at Wasco Union High School. The highest honor was awarded to Barbara Weins and Elbert Enns of the graduating class of 1955.

ELBERT ENNS



EVELYN EDIGER

junior plaque

The Junior Scholarship Plaque was awarded to Evelyn Ediger and Ronnie Mathis of the Junior Class of 1955.

RONNIE MATHIS



boys' and girls' state

RONNIE MATHIS

JAMES WASSON



YVONNE VILLEGAS

Each year Wasco High is represented by three outstanding Junior students at California Girls' and Boys' State, held in Sacramento. The Staters, one girl and two boys, are chosen on the basis of leadership, scholarship and character, and are sponsored by the local American Legion Auxiliary, the American Legion and Exchange Club.

Immediately after taking up residence in Sacramento, the representatives from every section of the Golden State begin their week-long leadership training program. After being organized into city and county governmental districts, the young citizens learn the procedures of registration, voting, campaigning, ordinance writing and office holding.

An especially good time is had by the Staters as they venture out on excursions to every section of California's Capitol City. They visit the State Capitol buildings and Fort Sutter, enjoy meeting high government officials, attend the mayor's banquet, talent shows, and political party campaigns, and feast at picnics held in their honor.

Upon their return to Wasco the Staters relate their enthralling experiences to their sponsoring organizations as well as to the High School Student Body.

Class of '56 members Yvonne Villegas, Ronnie Mathis, and James Wasson were privileged to attend Boys' and Girls' State last summer.

honor roll

First Six Weeks

Barker, Billy
Bergen, Nancy
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Colbert, Roberto
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Dieter, Vernon
Frantz, Larry
Gilmer, Jo Anne

Groy, Haskell
Green, Gary
Hawkins, Bill
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Hively, Ann
*Iribarren, Teresa
Lambert, Dawn
Leon, Gloria

Loewen, Helena
Mathis, Ronald
McCombs, Larry
Merz, Dan
*Morris, Karen
Neufeld, Barbara
Permenter, Nancy
*Roulter, Michael

Smith, Sharon
Stephens, Linda
Thomas, Howard
Villegas, Yvonne
Webster, Jimmie
Wheeler, Leota
Wood, Judy

HONORABLE MENTION

Gaede, Kenneth

Wasson, James

Second Six Weeks

Acklin, Mary Jane
Ash, Jean
Barker, Billy
Bergen, Nancy
Cameron, Carolyn
Crawford, Doris
Crowder, Robert
Ediger, Evelyn
Enos, Constance

Estes, Cathy
Frantz, Harold
Frey, Nancy
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Leon, Gloria

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Merz, Dan
Morris, Karen
Neufeld, Barbara
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Smith, Sharon

Sutton, Bobbie
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Villegas, Yvonne
Webster, Jimmie
Wheeler, Leota
White, Shirla
Whitworth, Elaine
Wood, Judy

HONORABLE MENTION

Balzer, Janice
Gaede, Kenneth

Lane, Carolyn
Nixon, Larry

Wasson, James

Wilcox, Judy

Third Six Weeks

Acklin, Mary Jane
Barton, Sue
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Cameron, Carolyn
Clemens, Marilynne
Ediger, Evelyn
Estes, Cathy
Estes, Frances
Frantz, Harold
Frantz, Larry

Gaede, Kenneth
Gilbreath, Dana
Gilmer, Jo Anne
Goodall, James
Green, Gary
Hammarsten, Karen
Hawkins, Bill
Heinrichs, Douglas
Iribarren, Teresa
Keeling, Shelby

Lane, Carolyn
Loewen, Helena
Mathis, Ronald
McCombs, Larry
McDonald, June
Merz, Dan
Morris, Karen
Roulter, Michael
Rounsaville, Shirley
Smith, Dennis

Smith, Sharon
Stinnett, Martha
Thomas, Howard
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Wasson, James
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Fourth Six Weeks

Acklin, Mary Jane
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Colbert, Roberta
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Morris, Karen
Roulter, Michael
Siemens, Carolyn
Smith, Sharon
Stephens, Patsy
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Wasson, James
Webster, Eva
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Wheeler, Leota
Whitworth, Elaine
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HONORABLE MENTION

Balzer, Janice
Coves, Milton

Clemens, Marilynne
Payne, Ray

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Fifth Six Weeks

Acklin, Mary Jane
Bartlett, Melbie Lue
Bergen, Nancy
Bergthold, Gordon
Clemens, Marilynne
Duerksen, Carl
Ediger, Evelyn
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Webster, Eva
Webster, Jimmie
Wheeler, Leota
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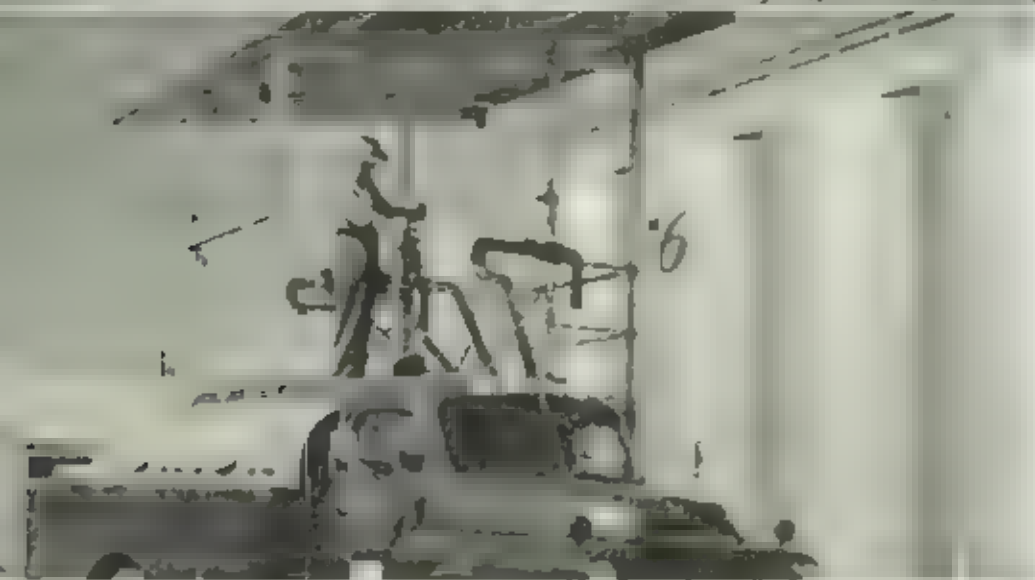


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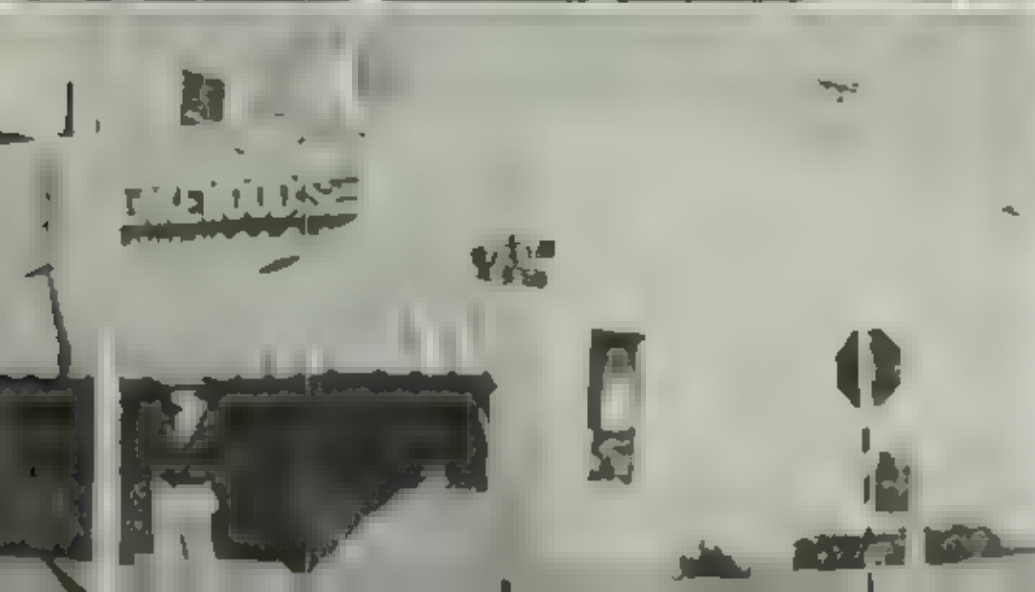


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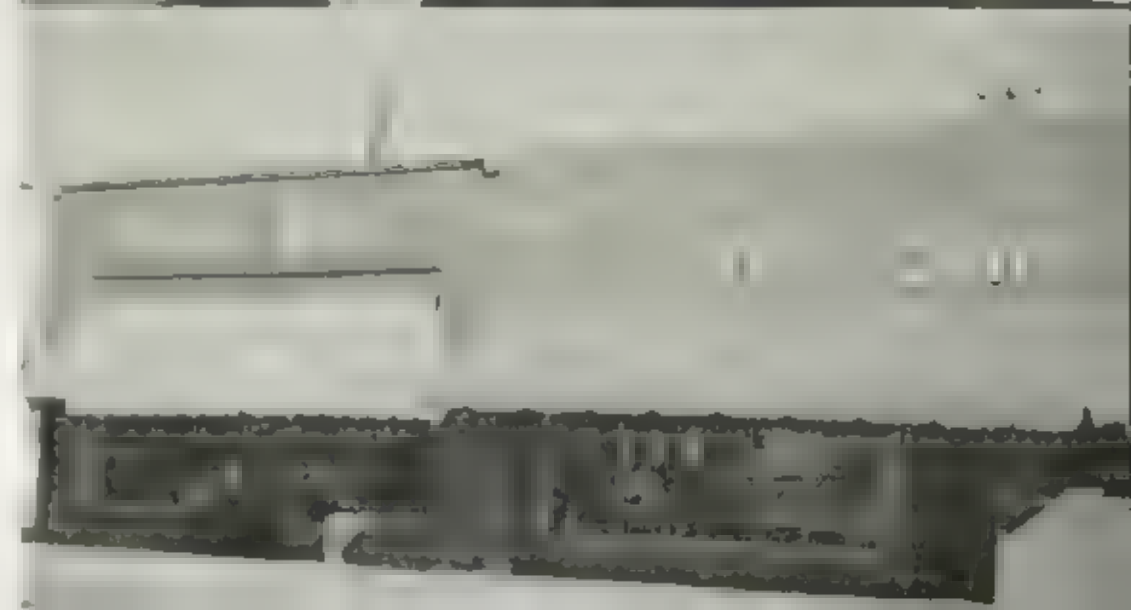
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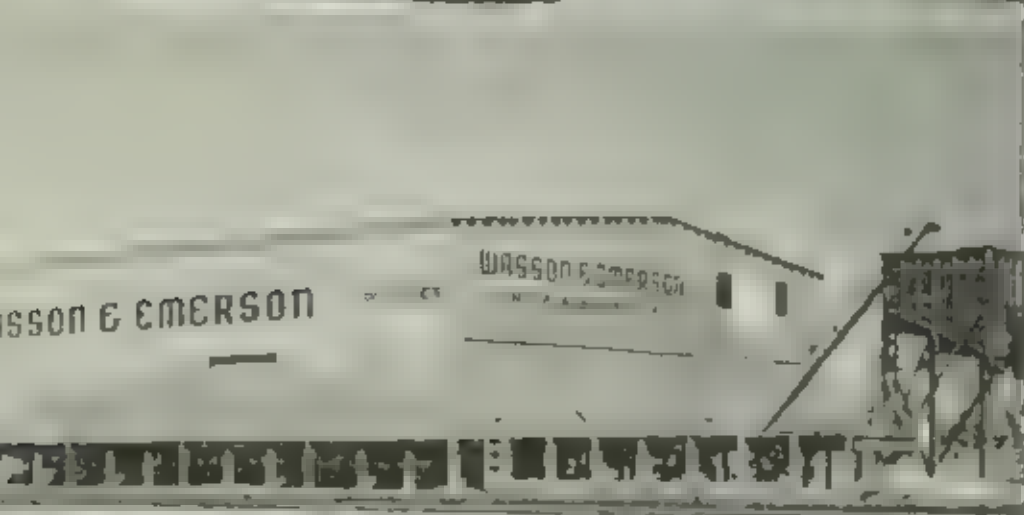
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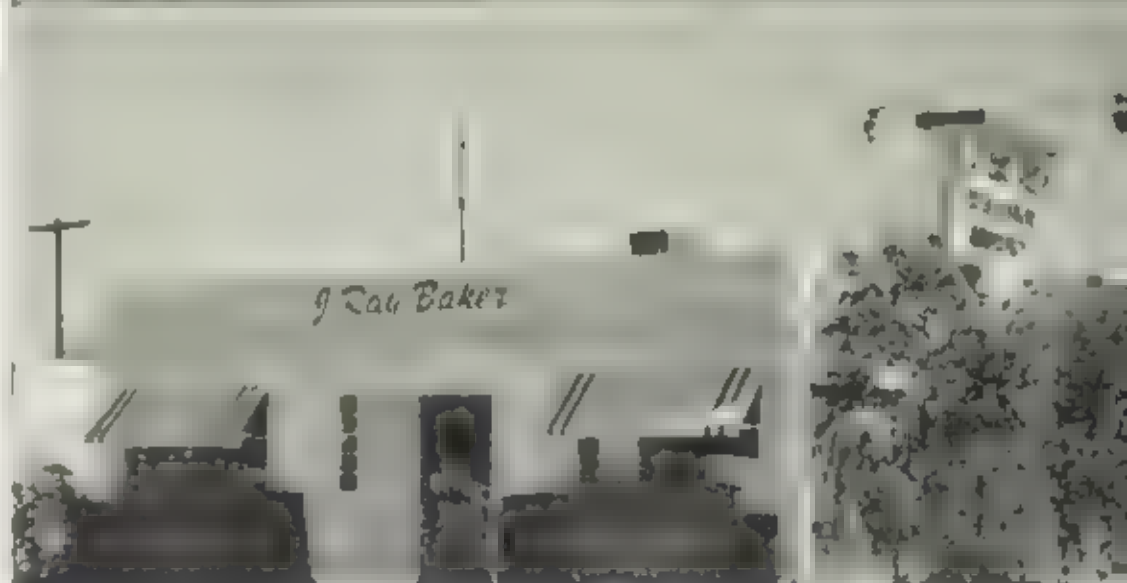
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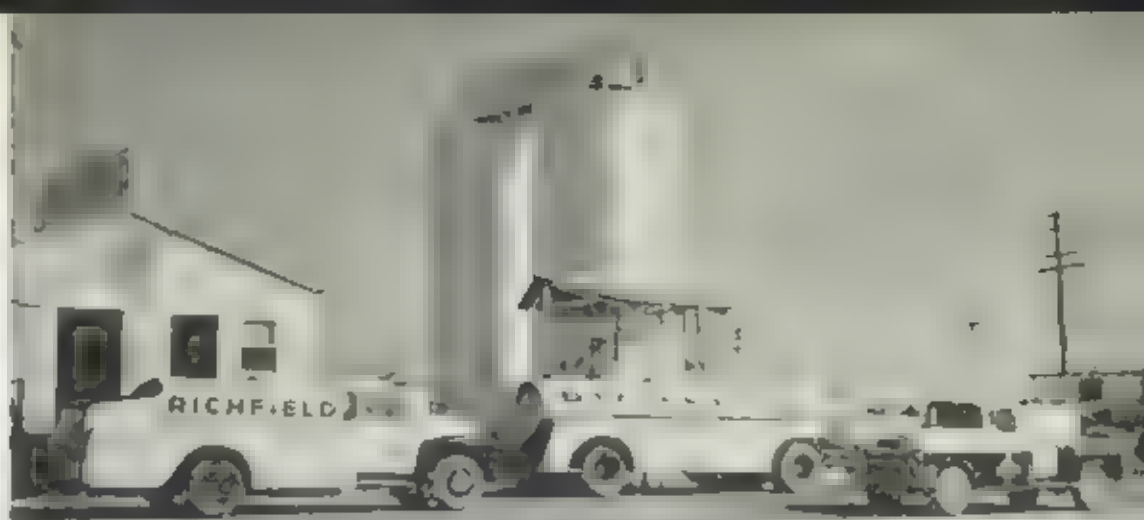
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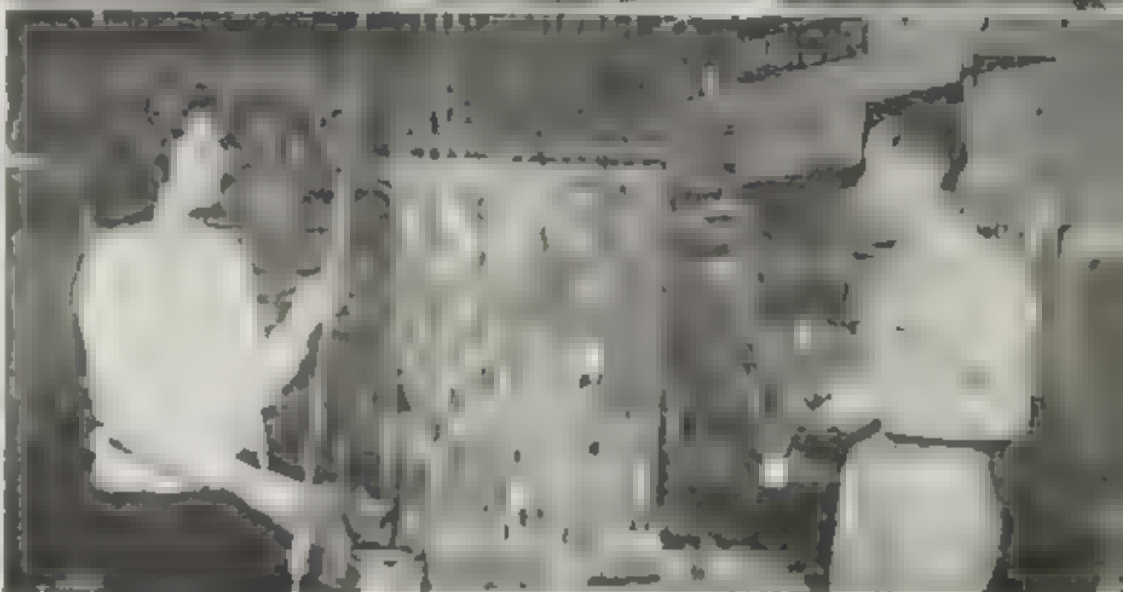
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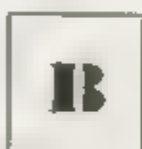
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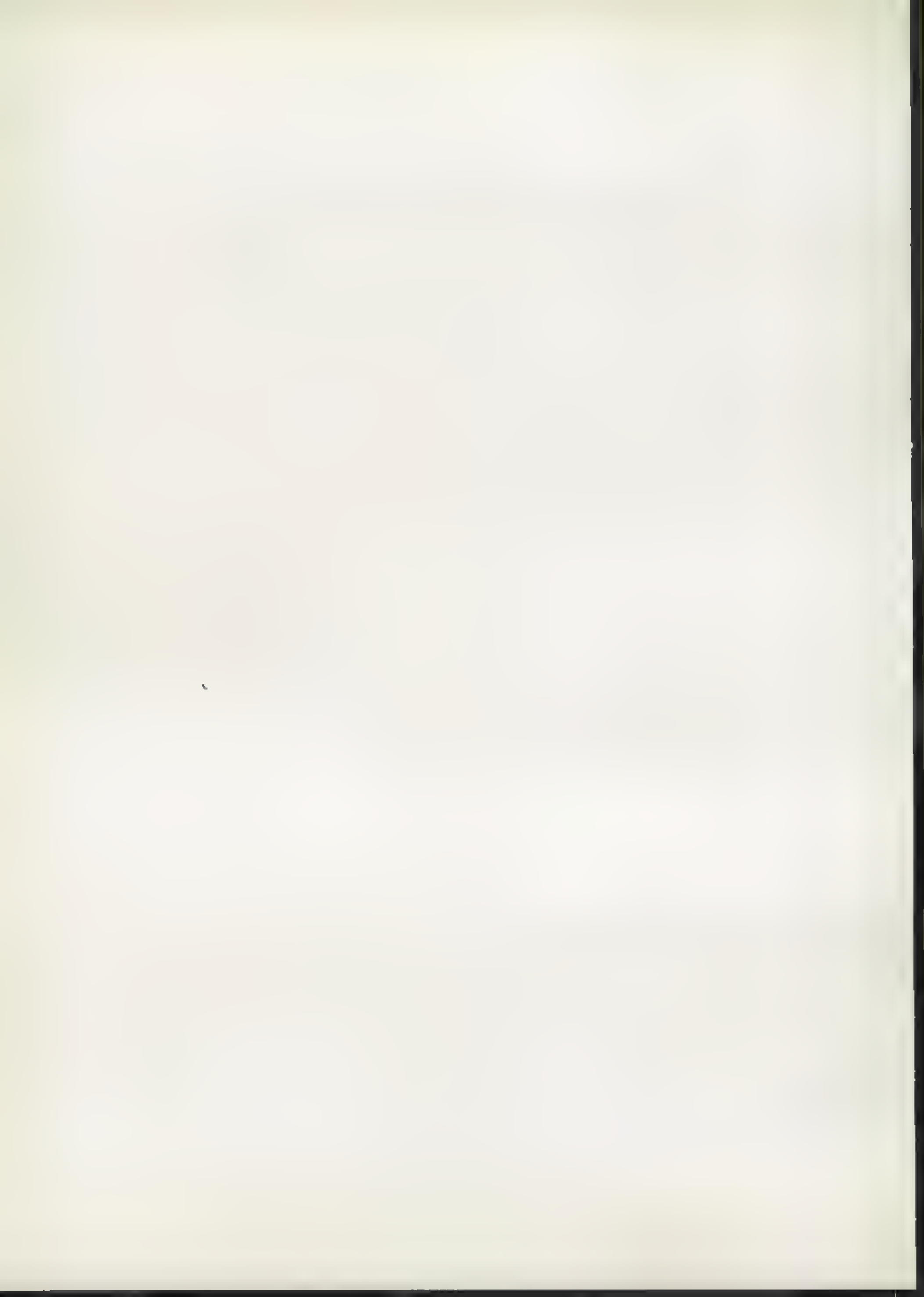
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The staff and I, however, feel that we have gained tremendously during this year; we would not trade the experience of this responsibility for anything.

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